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ENTERTAINING THE CROWD at the Carmel Valley Youth Center Sunday is Paul Schlegel, 14, of Carmel Valley. A member of the Youth Music Monterey contingent which performed for the first music in the park this season, Schlegel will be a freshman at Carmel High this fall. See page 15 for another photo and additional information on the music camp. *Sun photo by Stan Hall*

Carmel Gets State IOU; Budget Outlook Dismal

The City of Carmel received its first warrant from the state this week as department heads huddled over preparations for the 1992-93 fiscal year budget in the face of the economic downturn which produced nearly a half million shortfall from its $8.4 million budget in the year just ended.

The drop in the 1992-93 budget could be even higher, possibly as high as $800,000, officials said, but they won't know for sure until the state solves the budget crisis that led to the issuance of IOUs for the first time since the Great Depression.

Two separate budget teams are working at City Hall on the current budget which was due to go to the City Council for approval in September. Acting City Administrator Greg D'Ambrosio said the city could not make final decisions until the state legislature acts.

The one warrant that was mailed July 13 is for sales tax revenues. Other state checks normally due for motor vehicle license fees, cigarette taxes and highway users taxes will not be paid, Controller Gray Davis said, until there is a state budget.

Asked about cuts in the city's permanent staff of about 100, D'Ambrosio said, "We haven't decided, and we won't until we cut down to the quick. I have frozen some positions indefinitely. If somebody leaves, we would have to review the position." Salaries and benefits accounted for about two-thirds of the city's total budget last year.

The position of city administrator is itself vacant since Doug Schmitz, who earned $75,000, left in March. D'Ambrosio, the assistant city administrator, has done both jobs ever since.

Total revenues for the 1991-92 fiscal year ended June 30 were $465,837 short of the anticipated budget, reported Financial Services Coordinator Sandi Davenport. She said the fiscal year ended with a balanced budget of $8,448,669, however, due to transfers from various reserves to cover over-expenditures, primarily in the legal department, and for an "extraordinary" drain on the Workmens Compensation Reserve Fund.

Davenport said she was assured by Wells Fargo Bank that it would honor the warrant for sales tax revenues, but state banks have warned they may not honor the warrants after the end of July. Carmel has a reserve fund of $1,803,613, she said, which could carry it for awhile. The state said it would

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Redistricting Fight Spurs New Interest In CV Incorporation

By Carolyn Rice

Some residents expressed interest in exploring possible incorporation of Carmel Valley in the wake of reports that one supervisor's map drawn up for the county redistricting fight would split Carmel Valley Village right down the middle.

At the Carmel Valley Village Improvement Committee (CVVIC) meeting Friday, Chairman Peter Coakley voiced concern that if that map should be approved, it would dilute residents' political clout and make it difficult to continue the cohesive spirit and civic projects that are a hallmark of the Village.

"I don't think it will be incorporated over this one issue," said Lou Gardner, a Carmel Valley businessman and 40 year resident of the area. He pointed out the map which would split the Valley is still a long way from being adopted.

Incorporation would give Carmel Valley local control over its tax revenue and the services it provides residents. As an incorporated city, the area would have to elect a city council which would then hire administrators to provide services now received from Monterey County.

Gardener, who was involved in a 1968 Carmel Valley incorporation study, said incorporation usually comes about when an area is paying the county more for services than it would spend by providing the services for itself.

"In most people's minds it comes down to dollars and cents," he said. "People don't want to pay municipal taxes, but they do want services. There is an awful lot of re-

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Moratorium End Murky as Well Appeal Goes to Seaside Council

By Stan Hall

The head of California-American Water Co. said it will appeal a Seaside Planning Commission decision which would further delay the use of water from the Paralta well and thus extend the building moratorium on the peninsula through at least two years.

Larry Foy, general manager of the water company, said he planned to ask the Seaside City Council to overrule the commission's 5-1 vote to require a "focused" environmental impact report on the storage and transportation of chemicals needed to treat the well's water.

He said the company planned to file the appeal Wednesday by paying the $290 fee. He added that he had been assured by Seaside Mayor Lance McClaire that he would expedite the hearing on the appeal. "Maybe they can hear it as early as within two weeks," Foy told the *Sun*.

Saying the City Council "has greater latitude than the Planning Commission," Foy said he would ask councilmembers to approve a negative environmental declaration

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Seeks Cooperation from CRA and CBA

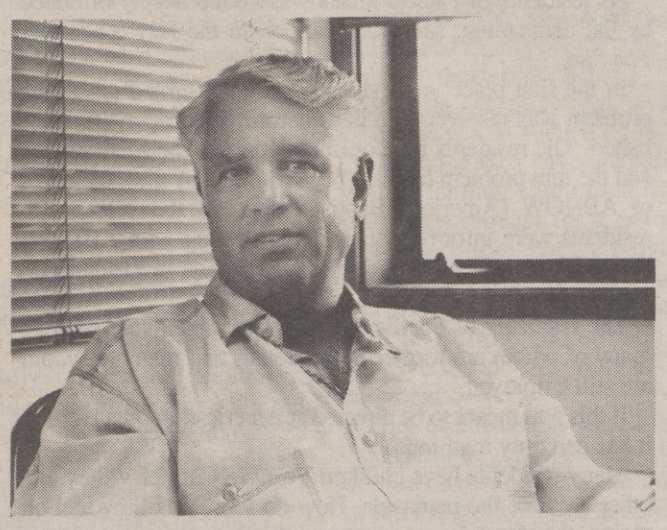
CCGG Makes Commercial Zoning Top Priority

By Isabelle Hall

Under the leadership of Merv Sutton, Carmel Citizens for Good Government (CCGG) has given Carmel's contentious commercial zoning problems top priority as it seeks to carve itself an active role in civic affairs.

Sutton wants the participation of the Carmel Residents Association (CRA), which has opposed any zoning changes until in-depth studies are conducted, and the Carmel Business Association (CBA), which supports creation of just two zones, to work with the CCGG on a solution. The complexities of the resort city's zoning process are blamed by business interests as part of the reason for the current economic downturn.

"We want to get two or three members from the CBA and the CRA and CCGG to work closely together," Sutton explained in an interview in his office atop Nielsen Bros. Market, a landmark in the resort town since 1928. It is owned and operated by Sutton and his wife, Nancie Nielsen Sutton.



MERV SUTTON

"Basically we all want the same thing for Carmel," explained the graying, handsome 54-year-old grocer. "We want to find some solutions and present them to the Council." Sutton envisions such a group going over every licensed use of every business in town because "basically there's a lot of discrepancy in what is a Carmel resident-serving business and what is not." He referred to a so far insoluble dispute

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LETTERS

Get Rid of Strasser Kauffman?

Re your story of the new redistricting of Carmel Valley (July 9), I would like to suggest that a map be drawn to put Strasser Kauffman into the proposed district No. 1 or No. 3 as she seems to be more interested in representing the Spanish community than she is Carmel Valley.

Also she, Karas and Shipnuck were only concerned about being reelected when they proposed the original new districts. Let's get rid of her and elect someone who will truly represent the Carmel-Carmel Valley area.

Bob Stevenson
Carmel Valley

Beware of Gypsy Contractors

I had an interesting thing happen to me the other day. I am a builder and have also been in sales for over 30 years. While I was working on one of my projects in Carmel Valley a few weeks ago, I was approached by a man who claimed to be a paving contractor from "up north."

He explained that he was down here doing a big job and just happened to have enough asphalt left over to pave the driveway at my job site. Having been in sales, I immediately recognized "the pitch" and sent him on his way. I have seen this sort of "sales" in many aspects of construction, and "too good to be true" is just that.

If you decide to go for this type of offer, then you will inevitably suffer the consequences. You may, if you're lucky, get a job that looks good initially, but falls apart in a few short years. If you don't go to the trouble to check them out for proper licensure and liability, and you decide to have the job done, what happens if you have a problem? If you think that you'll ever be able to find them, let alone get satisfaction, then you may be in for a regrettable surprise.

What will you do ultimately—call a local person to come and fix the mistake?

Beware! Do just one thing. Check references that can be traced back a year and a half or two years. Gypsies don't stay in an area long enough to get into any trouble. Ask for the two year old job in your area and observe the condition of the work. An improperly done job takes significantly less time, uses significantly less material, and is far less durable.

In the end, you get what you pay for.

Dick Sargent
Carmel

A Steady Diet of Bad Judgment

I stated in a recent letter to the *Weekly Sun* that I was flabbergasted by the idea of Carmel-by-the Sea hiring a paid consultant from New York City to discuss our zoning problems.

Mayor Ken White telephoned soon after to assure me that he agreed and would use his leadership to reject this ridiculous scheme. Unfortunately, he did not live up to that promise. During the City Council meeting of July 7, I felt sick at heart to see our mayor sitting on what is rapidly becoming his famous fence during discussion on the proposed consultant.

I felt even sicker as I listened to the comments of the mayor's fellow CRA member, Councilwoman Barbara Brooks. She attempted to blame staff and chose not to tell the truth about her original strong statements at the City Council workshop of May 16. At that time, she pushed vigorously for the hiring of the New York consultant, whom she had already entertained in her home. She tied this expensive idea to the commercial zoning study and told the Council, "I can see the possibility that commercial zoning could end up to be another issue like the FAR."

As you will recall, the FAR (floor area ratio) issue was forced to a costly referendum by the CRA members (including White and Brooks) on that City Council and it went soundly down to defeat. Mrs. Brooks can't afford any more defeats, and we residents can't afford a steady diet of bad judgement, unnecessary expenditures, misstatements and power-plays.

Once again, I urge Mayor White to lead and to encourage prudent, realistic decisions on urgent city priorities. As for commercial zoning, isn't it time to put an end to the delay tactics and ludicrous amount of bureaucracy and paperwork?

During this fiscally shaky period, Diane White and her ample planning staff surely could put their time to more productive use. Let us be realistic and accept the fact known to all thinking residents that our downtown area from 5th Avenue through 7th Avenue is one commercial zone—in actuality, if not in name.

Like so many others, I don't want to hear another word about "impact studies" or "Dream Committee reports." I believe that it is high time for simplification, honesty and conscientious leadership to return to Carmel-by-the-Sea.

Joseph Chaffers
Carmel

An Hispanic Supervisor Has Served

I frequently read, in your paper and others, that there has never been an Hispanic supervisor. This isn't true. I enclose something about one—there probably have been others.

E. C. Davis
Pacific Grove

The author enclosed a clipping, taken from a Salinas Chamber of Commerce publication printed prior to the turn of the century, which said that Juan B. Castro, born June 24, 1836, in Monterey, had twice been elected to the Board of Supervisors and also had twice been elected county treasurer. Castro, the article said, laid out the City of Castroville in 1863, "was the first man in the county to cut up his ranch and offer inducements to settlers" and established the Castroville Argus in 1866.—The Ed.

Offended by Scurrilous Cartoon

As residents of Pacific Meadows, we are deeply offended by the demeaning, scurrilous cartoon in the July 9 issue of *The Sun*.

In the first place you evidently are uninformed since this problem was resolved two days before your paper was published. The residents are not obliged to use the food service and the rent problem has also been resolved by the executives of ABHOW (American Baptist Homes of the West). The residents were informed of this at a meeting with ABHOW Executives who came here from their office in Oakland on July 7.

The residents of Pacific Meadows are intelligent seniors, many of whom are former professionals and many of whom are still employed.

If this was meant to be directed at American Baptist Homes, it has certainly misfired.

Many residents have children living in Carmel Valley and other areas of the peninsula. How do you think they feel on seeing the degrading caricature inferring that their parents have been put out to pasture like broken down useless animals to be herded around by ABHOW? At least you did not depict us as a bunch of sheep following docilely behind their leaders (ABHOW).

It is unthinkable that you would publish this cartoon, which is so offensive and insulting to a group of citizens in this community. We feel an apology is in order.

Elaine Moore
Betty Conlan Hardisty
Dorothy Ogorzelec
Rose Cohen
Carmel Valley

The attempted humor in the cartoon was indeed directed toward the operators of Pacific Meadows, which were perceived as high-handed in their dealings with residents before their executives backed off proposed rent increases and mandatory purchase of meals. If you feel an apology is due, you certainly have it.—The Ed.

Freeway Could Ease CV Road Traffic

We have a traffic problem on Carmel Valley Road as well as Highway 1. The County has no money to fix either problem so funds will come from you-know-who, the tax-payer.

All is not lost, however, since the state and federal government is willing to finance the Hatton Canyon Bypass if our county supervisors will endorse the Caltrans design. If this Bypass had been built years ago when it was proposed, the "trigger" on Carmel Valley Road may not have been pulled. Some of the traffic on the Valley road comes from the Highlands area up the Valley and over the grade to Salinas. This avoids the gridlock on Highway 1 between Carmel Valley Road intersection and the high school. If the Hatton Canyon Bypass were built, they would not take this shortcut.

If you would like your gasoline taxes to come back to Monterey County you should contact Supervisors Karas and Mrs.Strasser-Kauffman and ask them to support the Caltrans Hatton Canyon Bypass design. Unless these supervisors support this design the Hatton Canyon project will be cancelled and the money will go to some other project in another county.

The state and federal government will not fund the widening of Highway 1 since it is not practical to design it to state and federal standards. To meet these standards, at least six lanes would be required along with retaining and sound barrier walls.

There would be 20 driveways and 10 street crossings entering onto the freeway. Many homes would be demolished or moved, and this area would be devastated.

The irony of this, on one hand we have no money, and on the other hand, we have the money but anti-freeway forces will cause the money to go elsewhere. Stand up and be counted; it may be money in your pocket. Call or write your supervisor today.

George Ferguson
Carmel

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Pacific Meadows Residents To Get Hefty Rent Rebates

By Carolyn Rice

A controversy over proposed increases led to the discovery of an error in calculating rents at Pacific Meadows and will result in rebates to residents—some said to amount to more than $1,000.

"It's easier to rectify now than to try to rectify three years from now," said David Ferguson, chief administrative officer for American Baptist Homes of the West which operates the 200-unit housing project at the mouth of the Valley.

A month's work by Chris Hyland, an attorney for Legal Services for Seniors, discovered the error. Once American Baptist Homes agreed with her finding, she said she dropped her threat of legal action.

Hyland estimated some of the rebates will amount to more than $1,000. Ferguson said his staff was working on the amounts, but he did not yet have exact figures. Whatever the amounts, they will be deducted from August rents, he said.

Although some residents said they have been upset by the confusion surrounding the rents and meal charges, most said they enjoy living at the retirement complex with spectacular views of Point Lobos and Carmel Valley which opened in November. Some call the meal service a great bargain and said they like to take advantage of it.

Hyland said she found the rent formulas the management was using were not applicable. "They said their counsel had advised them on how to calculate the rent, and they were incorrectly advised," Hyland said. In addition, the controversy also led to the discovery that residents had not been given a utility credit of $29 to $39 per unit, she said.

Hyland said she had difficulty understanding how a company which had put together a complex financing package to develop the retirement project could not correctly determine the rents. But she acknowledged, "it took a lot of work on my part to read all the documents to find out what they were supposed to be doing." She said she had to retrieve documents from several sources.

Ferguson, who has been chief administrative officer for the American Baptist Homes for just three months, said his company "paid a horrendous amount of money to a development group to guide us through this. Somehow we didn't get good service."

He said the rents were figured correctly but with the wrong formula. "We should have used a 1989 formula, but we used a 1990 formula," he said. "We're all in agreement it's a very complicated and complex matter."

Hyland said the wrong rents were charged on B, C, and D units. The complex has four rate structures, and residents are charged varying rents depending onincome. "All the units including C and D (most expensive rents) are controlled by specifications," she said.

The highest rates have been charged for what the management has called "market rate units," but Hyland said the complex does not have any such units. She said they all are classified as moderate rate units. Due to the high median income in the Carmel/Monterey area, the monthly rent for some of those units is more than $1,000.

The rent for the upper end units is based on 120 percent of the median income for the Carmel/Monterey area, Ferguson said. The median income in the area is $38,000 so 120 percent of that is $43,000, Ferguson noted.

"Where I come from, that would be market rate," said Ferguson whose former position was with a retirement project in Texas.

Hyland was contacted by residents June 1 who objected to being obligated to pay $88.50 each month for five meals a week. The management said they were requiring part of the residents in some of the higher priced units to sign up for food service. Some of the residents already were paying for food service under their original contracts.

In her research on federal tax credits, which American Baptist Homes used to finance part of the project, Hyland said she found the management can not impose mandatory food service on any of the units. The ground lease for the complex binds American Baptist Homes to the tax credit rules for all of the units even though the

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RAIN AND FOG FAILED TO DAMPEN the enthusiasm Saturday at the Beach and Tennis Club at Pebble Beach where a small band of hardy swimmers turned out for a Seniors Meet. *Sun photo by Isabelle Hall*

Hot Weather to Stay; Humidity Dips

With ocean temperatures running as much as 5 degrees above normal and a rare string of record nighttime temperatures, meteorologist Robert Renard said unusually warm weather will prevail for most of the rest of the week, but the humidity should decline.

The Central Coast experienced warm, drizzly and humid weather over the weekend as weakened Hurricane Darby whirled itself out of existence off Southern California. "It pumped a lot of moisture all the way up to Northern California," said Renard.

Weather observer Graham Matthews recorded .02 inches of rain in Carmel Valley Village on Sunday, the first precipitation of the new rain year which began July 1.

In Monterey, Renard, retired head of the Navy Postgraduate School meteorology department, recorded .03 of an inch of precipitation on Sunday. "It probably did more harm than good because of the strawberries," he said.

A few miles south, however, at Yankee Point, a gauge caught .29 of an inch over Saturday and Sunday from a persistent light drizzle. Further south in Cambria, up to one-half inch was recorded, Renard said.

Noting that nighttime low temperatures in Monterey had set a record for warmth for six nights in a row as of Wednesday, Renard said he could not remember such a long string of consecutive records in his 41 years of weather data.

He told the *Sun* that a seventh record high for the nighttime low probably would be established Wednesday night.

During the string, Renard said previous records had been exceeded by one to four degrees.

Renard said the warm ocean surface temperatures associated with El Nino were not the only cause of the warm, humid weather.

"We have an unusual July weather pattern of complex and weak low pressure systems over the Eastern Pacific and California instead of our usual well-developed offshore high."

Because of this, he said "We have been unable to establish the strong onshore flow" that typically marks the region's summer weather. That typical summertime flow causes an upwelling of cool water which helps moderate temperatures and also contains nutrients needed to feed many ocean animals.

Instead of winds out of the west this year, Renard said the winds have generally been from the south. "That's not common," he said.

The lack of the onshore flow and the warm surface temperatures combined to bring the warm spell to the Central Coast.

Renard said sea surface temperatures were running as high as 60 degrees, some 5 degrees above normal for this time of the year. He said the entire West Coast was experiencing warm ocean temperatures as far north as Oregon and 300-400 miles out to sea.

While humidity will decline from its weekend levels, Renard said the area still was receiving some moisture from hurricanes off Baja California, the air was unstable and afternoon thunderstorms could easily develop in inland valleys.

City Advises Landlords of Short Term Rental Ban Enforcement

Art Black, newly appointed Transient Rental Coordinator for Carmel-by-the-Sea, has advised property owners alleged to have rented their homes for short-term transient vacation use that such action is against the law.

Black, who is the city's fire marshal, said the letter was sent to all property owners who had been the subject of complaints over recent years advising them of the U. S. Supreme Court action which let stand a lower court order upholding the Carmel ordinance banning rentals of less than 30 days. He said he did not have the total but that such complaints were "in a fat file."

During court hearings on the ordinance, it was estimated that there were 300 to 500 houses in the residential area used as short-term rentals for anywhere from $100 to $1,500 a night. The difficulty of enforcing such a law also was stressed by the landlords who claimed it could only be done through an invasion of privacy by actually entering houses and confronting the occupants.

Black sent a separate letter to all those who have complained about such rentals thanking them for their "patience and support." He also advised all real estate firms and agents in the area that the city planned to take immediate legal action against any future violations of the ordinance.

A public notice also was published in the local newspapers advising all property owners, businesses and residents of the Supreme Court action. The ordinance provides a penalty of up to $500 a day. The city notice said three violations in any one year may result in future violations being filed as misdemeanors.

"The prohibition of 'transient commercial use' of property in residential areas means that the use of any residential property for or as a bed-and-breakfast, hostel, hotel, inn, lodging, motel, resort, or other transient lodging uses for less than thirty (30) consecutive days is not permitted," the notice said.

Not only does the ordinance ban rentals for cash. It defines "remuneration" as "compensation, money, rent, trade, or other bargained-for consideration in return for occupancy, possession or use" of the property.

During the original court appeal brought by a group of landlords, there was a lengthy argument about what remuneration entailed. Trial Judge Harkjoon Paik suggested it would cover even the situation where a couple might take the owners of a Carmel house out for dinner and be allowed to use their home for a weekend visit in return.

The purpose of the ordinance, the city said, "is to ensure the integrity of the R-1 (residential) zones to preserve Carmel-by-the-Sea's sense of community by ensuring that single-family residences (including guest houses and subordinate units) are not used for short-term or vacation rentals."

Homes in the residential district still may be rented on a lease basis or month-to-month for 30 consecutive days or longer.

Park District Plans Trail Denial Appeal

Directors of the regional park district voted unanimously to appeal the County Planning Commissions' refusal to require California-American Water Co. to provide a trail easement across its filtration plant property on the river upstream of Rosie's Bridge.

"He wants to put a trail on every piece of property there is," Larry Foy, general manager of Cal-Am said of Gary Tate, general manager of the regional park district.

Nonetheless, Foy told the *Sun* that he had agreed to inspect the 156-acre property located between Sleepy Hollow and Stonepine Inn this week with Tate to see where he would place a trail.

Tate sought to have a condition attached to the Planning Commissions' approval of Cal-Am's request for a permit to build a 874-square-foot storage building at the filter plant. He asked that the easement be 15 feet wide, and the planning staff went along with it. But the commission voted 5-1 to approve the permit without requiring the easement.

The commission acted after County Counsel Douglas Holland raised the question of nexus, or a logical connection, between the storage shed and the trail.

At the regional park district's board meeting July 6, attorney Anne McGowan, representing the park district, also wondered aloud where nexus existed under California law.

But board member Zad Leavy, also an attorney, urged his colleagues to authorize the appeal to the Board of Supervisors. "It will give us the time to do the research, and we can always pull back if we have to," he said.

Foy said he opposed an easement for a trail because he already was concerned about vandalism at the plant where dangerous chlorine gas is stored in one-ton cylinders and complex electrical equipment could be vulnerable to gunshots or other damage.

He said the plant was not manned most of the time, "and we have a lot of trespassers and poachers out there all the time now."

Vandalism could endanger not only the property, but the peninsula water supply, he said.

Foy said he thought one reason the park district wanted a trail across Cal-Am property so badly is that a trail easement through Stonepine will expire within 15 years unless it is connected with a trail that will extend it.

SHERIFF'S LOG

VILLAGE. A woman reported juveniles threw eggs at her car while it was parked on Ridge Way and had thrown flour on it the day before. 7/7.

VALLEY. An Asian man, found nude in bed at a woman's house uninvited, told her he wanted to have sex with her. He was arrested. 7/7.

VILLAGE. A surveyors' transit, found near an abandoned trailer on the east side of Esquiline Road, was returned to its owner. 7/7.

Saddle Stolen

JAMESBURG. The owner of Nason Ranch reported a saddle valued at $485 was stolen; he suggested a former employee took it. 7/7.

VILLAGE. A CHP officer reported a red Fiat knocked down mailboxes on Via La Gitana. 7/7.

VILLAGE. A man who lives on Holman Road reported juveniles were possibly vandalizing a red Fiat, but it was determined that the car broke down and they were trying to fix it. 7/7.

LOS LAURELES GRADE. A woman and her daughter reported a possible kidnapping at Carmel Valley Road and Los Laureles Grade, saying they saw a woman being pushed into a blue van. Deputies were unable to locate any trouble. 7/7.

PALO COLORADO. A woman reported having a dispute with a neighbor who complained about her barking dogs. 7/7.

White Rock Burglary

VALLEY. A man said his home at White Rock Ranch was burglarized while he was away. He estimated the loss in antiques and collectibles at $10,000 to $20,000. 7/7.

LOS LAURELES GRADE. A Mid Valley resident reported from Community Hospital that he had been assaulted by the occupants of a multi-colored VW Bug after he pulled over and stopped to let them get around him on the grade. 7/8.

SOUTH COAST. A Salinas man reported juvenile vandalism at a construction site northwest of Rocky Point Restaurant. 7/8.

VILLAGE. A man telephoned the sheriff's office saying his dog was dying or being killed in his garage on Middle Canyon; an investigating deputy found no marks on the dog, but did report cat tracks in the yard. 7/8.

Woman Loses $600

VALLEY. A Cachagua woman reported she lost $600 from her purse, perhaps at the Mid Valley Safeway. 7/8.

VALLEY. A man said someone threw a stick through the windshield of his car while it was parked at his home on Schulte Road over night. 7/9.

CARMEL. A tourist from Derby, England, staying at Carmel River Inn, reported losing his passport. 7/9.

VILLAGE. The owner of Teeleet Antiques reported an antique milk can had been stolen from the back of the business. He valued it at $120. 7/9.

SOUTH COAST. A Carmel man reported his cabin on the Little Sur River had been burglarized by someone who got in through a bedroom window and stole a color TV. 7/9.

Barking Dog Complaint

VILLAGE. A woman who lives on West Carmel Valley Road complained about barking dogs on Live Oak Lane, saying she wanted the disturbance recorded because she was going to court. 7/9.

CACHAGUA. A man said someone entered his unlocked storage shed at Princes' Camp and took a weed eater worth about $330. 7/10.

VALLEY. A woman said her specialized mountain bike had been stolen from Mid Valley Shopping Center during the night. She said she left it near Salsa, and it was valued at $350. 7/10.

VALLEY. A 42-year-old Carmel Valley man said his home was burglarized between 7:15 a.m. and 9:30 p.m. and a TV VCR and portable radio stolen. 7/10.

SOUTH COAST. An Illinois tourist said his car was burglarized while parked off Highway 1 south of Point Lobos. He said a suitcase, briefcase and other items valued at $800 were taken. 7/10.

CARMEL RANCHO. A patrolling deputy found an open door at Ciao Mein, but the owner had failed to lock it and nothing was amiss. 7/10.

CARMEL. An employee of Grosvenors Inn said a guest didn't want to pay his whole bill; contacted by a deputy, a tourist from Germany paid it all and then left. 7/11.

Five Banners Stolen

BIG SUR. A man from Big Sur Village reported the theft of five banners, each valued at $250. 7/11.

CARMEL. A resident reported someone entered a Carmel Woods home through an open window and snooped through the residence, but took nothing. 7/11.

CARMEL. A man who lives on Inspiration reported hearing the sound of something being smashed. Investigation showed six mailboxes had been damaged. Witnesses said several juvenile were responsible and that they fled in a large, light-colored sedan. 7/11.

VILLAGE. A man said someone got into his garage on El Caminito and stole tools and two mountain bikes. 7/12.

Carmel House Soaked

CARMEL. The California Department of Forestry asked for assistance at a house on Dolores, saying both levels of it had been soaked by water which had been running for days. The cause was a faulty valve on a washing machine. Deputies said the house was owned by a doctor who lived in Los Angeles. 7/12.

CARMEL MEADOWS. A man who lives on Ribera Road reported his car window was smashed with a rock during the night. 7/12.

RIO ROAD. A Salinas man was arrested in front of the Rio Grill for public intoxication. 7/12.

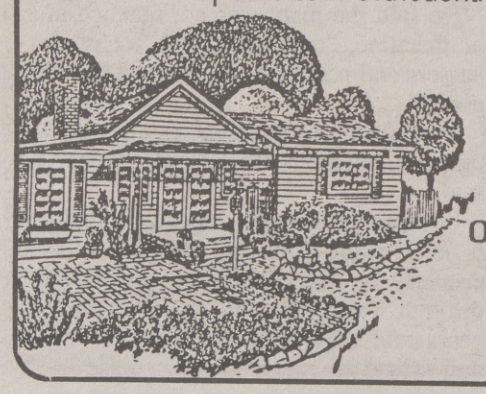
SOUTH COAST. A man reported two stereos were stolen from his unlocked car which was parked at his home on Yankee Beach Way. He valued them at $550. 7/12.

County Offers Rabies Vaccine

Rabies shots for dogs and cats will be given for $3 at a clinic at Del Monte Shopping Center on Aug. 8 from noon to 3 p.m.

County dog licenses will be sold at the clinic which has been organized by the Monterey County Department of Health. Late fees will be waived if no citations are involved, according to a county official.

Maurice C. Corbett, D.D.S.
Specialist in Orthodontics for Adults and Children



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Walter Wong Reports

Compromise Reached to Block Tough New Fees for Small Water Systems

A compromise has been reached in Sacramento which Director Walter Wong of the County Environmental Health Department said will repeal new state fees that could have put many small water systems out of business.

Wong said the Senate Agriculture and Water Resources Committee voted 6-0 to accept the compromise Monday, and the state's large water system operators agreed to stop opposing Assembly Bill 2995 which would reverse a law passed last year establishing new fees.

The new fees could have totaled almost $20,000 a year for small systems serving from 15 to 199 hookups. With 262 small water systems, Monterey County has more than any county in the state, and Wong became a spokesman and point man for the effort to repeal the fees.

"Nobody was speaking for them (the small systems)," Wong said. In contrast, he said the large systems had the services of many lobbyists and lawyers. In addition, he said the effort to repeal the new fees got little help from the State Health Department.

"They kept saying they didn't care one way or another," Wong told the *Sun*.

AB 2995 already has passed the Assembly on a 69-0 vote, and Wong expressed confidence that the compromise would now assure its approval by the state Senate.

He said big water system operators opposed the bill because they thought the fees that they paid would be used to subsidize the smaller water companies. The compromise creates a sliding scale of fees.

Under the bill approved last year and scheduled to go into effect Jan. 1, small water systems would have had to pay as much as $1,800 per year per hookup. The compromise provides that they will pay $350 per year.

Wong said most small water systems in the county stay in compliance with state and county rules and regulations. Under the compromise hammered out in the committee, he said the county will continue to be the agency responsible for the regulation of small systems under a memorandum of understanding with the state.

During the effort to repeal the new fee schedule, Wong said he prevailed on Rep. Leon Panetta, D-Carmel Valley, to write in support of AB 2995.

LOCAL FIREMEN AND PARAMEDICS received an orientation recently in the use of an emergency medical helicopter which now serves the region. Above, they practice loading a "victim" aboard the aircraft at Carmel Valley Airport.
Photo courtesy of Russell Wilcox

Based in Gilroy

Emergency Medical Copter Available

Emergency medical helicopter service is now available in the region, but Carmel Valley Fire Chief Bill Sims said, "I don't see us using it that much."

The service became available when CALSTAR (California Shock/Trauma Air Rescue) based one of its choppers at South Valley Hospital in Gilroy, about a 25-minute flight from Carmel Valley. It will be available seven days a week from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. when weather permits, Sims said.

While Sims does not expect to use the service often, he said it could be invaluable in certain cases where victims are in need of specialized medical services. As examples he cited burn victims who need to be taken to the San Jose Burn Center or heart patients needing to go to Stanford.

The chief estimated the average cost at around $2,000 for the use of the helicopter, which is staffed with two flight nurses experienced in emergency room medicine.

He said the availability of the CALSTAR aircraft could be important to the area after Fort Ord closes if that should mean the loss of the Army's MAST, or Military Assistance to Fire and Safety , choppers.

Asked who would determine if the helicopter should be called it, he said more than likely the decision would be made by paramedics who now serve the area, or perhaps local doctors responding to an emergency.

CALSTAR is a non-profit service supported by Bay Area hospitals, corporations and individuals. It recently flew one of its choppers to Carmel Valley Airport for an orientation session for local area firemen. On the same day, a CHP chopper also visited the airport for an orientation session. Sims explained that if MAST should leave the area, some discussion was underway about basing a CHP aircraft at Paso Robles. The closest one now is based at Fresno.

Sims said a critical limitation on the more frequent use of air transport in medical emergencies is the lack of a landing pad at Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula. As it is now, he said a helicopter transporting a victim must land at Monterey Airport and the patient transferred to ground ambulance for relay to the hospital.

Map Sparks Incorporation Interest

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sistance to incorporation."

The fate of the map which would split the Valley, along with competing proposed plans, is in the hands of Federal Judge William Ingram of San Jose. In an unusual ruling, Ingram said the cities of Marina and Seaside could join the suit as representatives of blacks and Asians protesting the board's approval of a plan on April 7 that split the two cities.

In the discussions about possible incorporation, no consensus emerged on possible boundaries for any new jurisdiction, and no actions were taken to begin the process. But some residents clearly upset by even the possibility that the Valley could be split between the fifth and second districts were discussing the idea again. Incorporation attempts have been launched in the past, but they failed to find support.

The redistricting fight pits at least four distinct interests—Latinos, Asians and blacks, the Committee For Fair Rep-resentation and the county—in a complex process fraught with political ramifications not only for the supervisors but their constituents. The action now is focused on two arenas:

- A U.S. District Court trial scheduled to begin in mid September on what interim plan will be used for special supervisors' elections in March. Elections in three of the five districts were scheduled in June, but delayed because new political boundaries had not yet been drawn.
- A referendum on the Nov. 3 ballot in which the Committee for Fair Representation asks voters either to ratify or to reject the April 7 redistricting plan. The committee spearheading the initiative drive was made up mainly of North County residents unhappy that their traditional district would be split and they would be connected with South County in a large district they said would be difficult for one supervisor to represent adequately.

Fifth District Supervisor Karin Strasser

KARIN STRASSER KAUFFMAN

Kauffman, who had expressed concern that anyone would even suggest splitting the Valley, said she is comfortable with letting the voters decide in November.

"If they shoot the plan down, we might look to an independent commission of judges outside the county for a plan," she said.

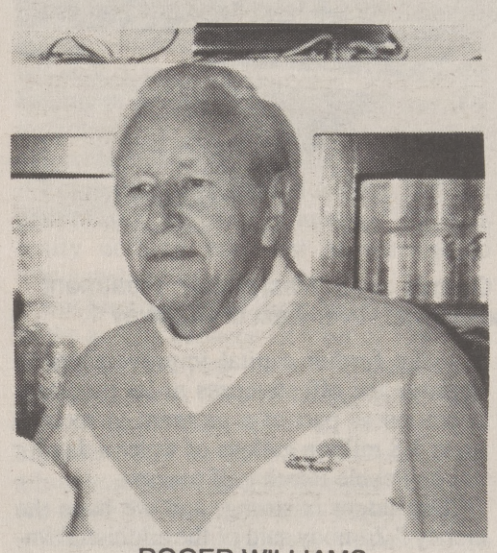
Asked about the status of the redistricting case, Senior Deputy County Counsel Lee Blankenship said, "Every time I come in and look at my desk, there are three or more variables."

He said if the April 7 plan is voted down, it will resurrect a redistricting plan approved by supervisors in November. La Raza, a group seeking two dominant Latino majority districts, challenged the November plan in federal court. If voters reject the April plan, the supervisors could look at some other plan or decide on a different process for adopting one, Blankenship said.

In a Thursday conference telephone call between the parties in the suit before Ingram, Seaside and Marina indicated the map which splits Carmel Valley needs adjustment, Blankenship said. The cities indicated there are problems with other boundaries besides Carmel Valley, he said.

"There are all sorts of ways to balance out the numbers rather than doing anything as radical as that," he said. Blankenship said it was clear that some census tracts had been split on the map, but he had no explanation why.

Residents from North County who submitted two plans to Ingram in June again asked for consideration of those maps during the conference call, Blankenship said.



ROGER WILLIAMS

Village businessman Roger Williams said that if Ingram should by chance impose the map carving up Carmel Valley, "I think we'd do something pretty doggone fast."It could lead to a drive for incorporation, he suggested, or the creation of a community services district like those in effect in Pebble Beach and Spreckles.

"But there would be a move for self-government for Carmel Valley of some sort, that's for sure," Williams said

Attorney Joaquin Avila of Milpitas drew up the map which would divide the Village down Carmel Valley Road. He said he was acting on behalf of eight individual members of La Raza and responding to Ingram's suggestion that groups in the suit submit proposed compromises.

Cathy Stein West, senior analyst for the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO), said formation of a service district requires a lot of preliminary work and could take between one and two years. But formation of a service district would not keep the Valley in one superversorial district, she said, noting many districts in the county are split.

"If it's to provide services, that's one thing," she said. "If it's mainly to have another governmental body, you could be at a distinct disadvantage. You still have to get your money from the county. It might offer more local control especially if you have your own board of directors."

In a ruling on a technical issue, Ingram all but assured that elections in the first, fourth and fifth districts would next be held in a special vote early next year rather than in November. He did so by giving La Raza 30 days to rewrite its suit to focus on the redistricting redone in 1981 under the 1980 Census. Ingram agreed with County Counsel Douglas Holland's argument that the La Raza suit, as written, was baseless, because both the April 7 map and the earlier one had been suspended when the voter initiative succeeded.

For his part, Gardener noted a lot has happened since 1968 with the development of a tremendous tax base at the mouth of the Valley. "Of course the county won't be happy with incorporation," he said, referring to the income the county would lose. He also suggested the City of Carmel might be eyeing the mouth of the Valley area for incorporation.

Another reason for incorporation is if residents believe the county is not treating an area fairly or giving it bad deals in the planning process, Gardner said. "I don't think the average person thinks we are being mistreated. I myself am happy with the representation we have."

No Water Trade in Sight for Carmel Greens; Valley Project Still Stalled

The controversial Carmel Greens subdivision proposed for the mouth of the Valley apparently is not as far along as it first seemed after county supervisors voted to approve at least some of the lots that developer Tom Gamboa wants.

In voting to approve a so-called review map for the project, supervisors said Gamboa could plan on as many lots as the water management district was willing to grant water for on his claim that agricultural irrigation on the property would be stopped.

According to Jim Cofer, general manager of the water district, no water would be set aside for the project currently.

"If the applicant came in for that project today, we'd have to tell him that water for it has to come out of the county allocation," Cofer told the *Sun*. "We can not allow any trade-off for discontinued ag use."

Cofer indicated he was preparing a letter to inform Gamboa of the water district's decision.

In a letter to Supervisor Karin Strasser Kauffman, Alan Sandstrum, president of the Carmel Valley Property Owners Association, was critical of the supervisors' decision on the project. Strasser Kauffman was the lone dissenter.

Sandstrum's letter noted that the irrigation well water that Gamboa proposed to trade for Cal-Am water is not on Gamboa's property.

"How will the reduction on that well be controlled since the well is not on the developer's property and the well will continue to be used for agricultural purposes?" Sandstrum asked.

Cofer said the water management district had the same question. Noting that the one well serves six or more different fields, Cofer said "it would be difficult to agree to a partial reduction" in the use of the irrigation well as Gamboa has suggested.

Cofer said if the water district did that, it would be very difficult to have any assurance that the water which ostensibly had been traded for water for Gamboa's project was not continuing to be used for some other purpose.

Gamboa, a Redwood City resident who appeared at a supervisors' hearing on Carmel Valley Road congestion, has proposed a 107-lot subdivision on 22.4 acres just south of Carmel Valley Road and immediately east of Brintons.

In a phased development, he has proposed to build 36 moderate income senior citizen units, 35 market-rate single family homes for seniors and 36 market-rate single family homes.

Sandstrum said the CVPOA also opposed the supervisors' action, taken June 9 on a 4-1 vote, on the grounds that the development would add to already congested traffic on Rio Road. His letter noted that the entrance to the proposed development would be from Rio Road, "an artery that is already severely impacted by current traffic."

At the hearing on the Carmel Valley Road trigger, Gamboa complained that he had been trying to develop the property for 25 years. He suggested the county, in denying permission, was depriving him of his property rights.

"They have lots of hoops to jump through yet—some of them very difficult," Cofer said of Gamboa's project.

When the board approved the Carmel Greens review map, supervisor Barbara Shipnuck, who took the lead in getting her colleagues to vote for it, said: "If the water doesn't work out, there's no project."

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Mussels Are "Early Warning" System for Sewage Plant

By Stan Hall

Sometime next month, a diver will plunge beneath the waters of Carmel Bay to recover mesh bags filled with mussels which have lived several months along the discharge pipe leading from the Carmel Area Wastewater treatment plant.

The mussels then will be ground up and examined thoroughly in a search for any bacteria or toxic metals which might indicate that the plant is discharging dangerous material into the sea.

Like canaries kept in mines to detect buildups in dangerous gases, the mollusks provide an early warning of any trouble at the plant since they process so much water obtaining the tiny organisms on which they feed.

Michael Zambory, general manager of the wastewater district which serves the City of Carmel, some parts of greater Carmel and Pebble Beach, expressed confidence that the mussels will be fine.

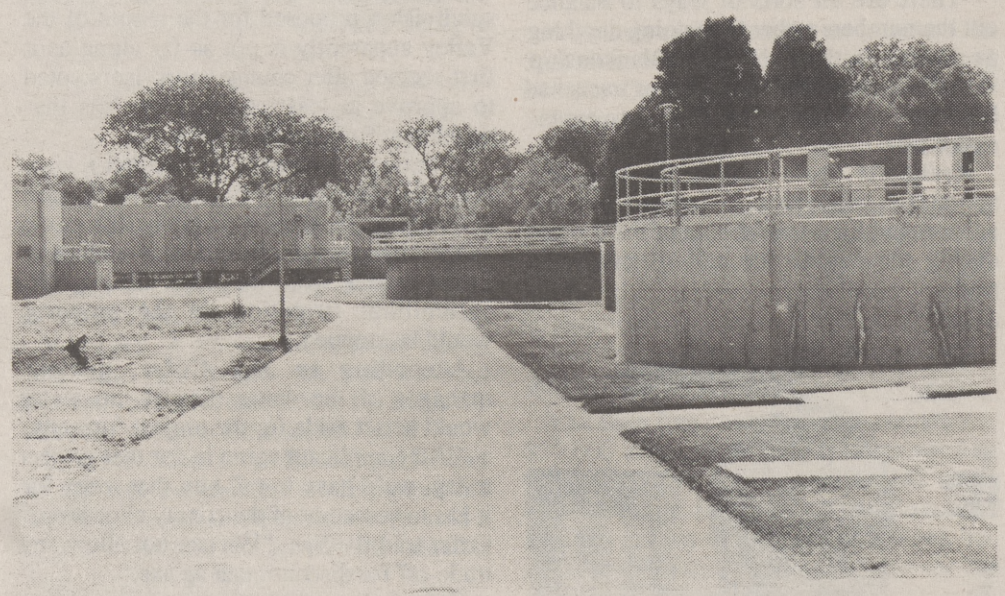
"In the 13 years that I've been here, we've never had a violation involving toxic metals or coliform bacteria," Zambory said of the mussels test.

The examination of the mussels is just one of 3,607 tests of various kinds that the state requires the plant to conduct each year to insure that it is operating properly.

In addition to the testing required by the state Regional Water Quality Control Board, Zambory said the plant located near the mouth of the Carmel River conducts hundreds of tests on its own.

Two of the district's 22 employes work full-time in a small testing lab that is part of the facility. Zambory described the effective operation of the plant as "a delicate balancing act" requiring constant fine tuning of the chemistry based on what the lab work shows.

The mussels testing is done by the state Fish & Game Department under contract with the wastewater district after the shellfish have lived in the mesh sacks in the bay three or four months.



SELDOM SEEN BY THE PUBLIC, The Carmel Area Wastewater Treatment plant is hidden by trees at the mouth of the Carmel River west of Highway 1.

The diver will collect three separate bags of mussels from various spots along the outfall pipe that extends 600 feet into the bay and ends under 30 feet of water. A control sample will also be plucked from the waters off Point Lobos.

Zambory discussed the mussels testing during a wide-ranging interview with the Sun. He was asked about a state-issued cease and desist order limiting the plant's capacity to 2.4 million gallons a day during dry months because of previous violations of technical standards governing the plant's operation.

"We haven't had a violation (of any of those standards) in over a year." Zambory said. In addition, he said the plant planned to make further capital improvements to improve the effectiveness of its treatment operation as part of a program to reclaim up to 1.8 million gallons of water a day for use on Pebble Beach golf courses.

"Our intent is strong, and we have the money," Zamboy said of the additional improvements.

The existence of the cease and desist order doesn't really affect the plant now. It is only processing 1.67 million gallons of sewage a day, compared to 2.2 million gallons a day before the drought.

Asked if he thought the plant would receive enough wastewater to provide Pebble Beach with the prescribed 1.8 million gallons a day, Zambory said, "We should have enough to meet that quantity, but there are no guarantees."

Five separate contracts will be let in the next few months for the reclamation project, which Zamboy predicted would cost around $30 million, including bond financing costs.

The project is supposed to be completed in time for the 1994 irrigation season. At 1.8 million gallons of reclaimed water a day during the dry season, it will provide 800 acre-feet of water a year which can be used for irrigation in place of potable water. Zambory said Pebble Beach will get 340 acre-feet under the agreement to use for further development in Del Monte Forest, while the water management district will get 460 acre-feet.

The separate construction contracts are for the addition of tertiary treatment facilities to the district's plant, seven miles of pipeline, 2.5 million gallons of storage at Pebble Beach and a pumping system capable of providing 200,000 gallons of potable water per day in an emergency.

Zambory said the quality of the reclaimed water would be high. Under federal standards, he said it would be clean enough to use on a playground. "It's better than most normal irrigation water," he said.

As for the cease and desist order, Zambory said he would like to see it lifted before the additional treatment facilities are installed, although he acknowledged that at the reduced capacity at which the plant is now operating, the order has no real effect.

"I feel like it is a kind of stigma. As general manager, I feel that I'm responsible for resolving it," he said.

Saying it was not his original idea, Zambory suggested that it would make sense once the tertiary treatment facility was constructed and reclaiming water that it be operated year around.

To do that, he said storage capacity would have to be developed to store the water reclaimed in the winter when it wasn't needed for irrigation.

He said one site that had been suggested was an area known as Sawmill Gulch on Pebble Beach. He said a hole was left when sand from the site was used in construction of Spanish Bay.

Park's Offer for Land Turned Down

A $210,000 offer by the Carmel Valley Recreation and Park District for 1.4 acres immediately east of the existing park in Carmel Valley Village was turned down by Landing at Lahina, the partnership which owns it.

Chairman Chuck McKay of the park district said the board has no plans at the moment to negotiate any further on the property and that no counter-offer was made by the partnership.

"At the moment without someone coming up with something creative, we've done the best we could do," he said. The board made the offer based on a commitment to going out and raising the money, McKay said.

McKay said the park district could lose a significant portion of its funding from the county this year. "We have been scheduled for $30,000, but it may disappear," he said of county and state budget problems. He said the park program may turn to one of "maintenance rather than reaching out."

No state funding is currently available to park districts for purchase of park land, he said, adding that it would be expensive not only to purchase the property, but develop it.

He said even grass and installing sprinkling systems can be expensive . Some have suggested more parking space is needed at Community Park, he said, but it would also be expensive to construct.

"It would be great if we could keep it (the 1.4 acres) open, but it's kind of hard to do sometimes," he said.

Michael Marquard, a partner in the property, has said in the past that he planned to develop it for a mini-storage and RV parking enterprise. The parcel is between the park and Bill Parham's new service center off Carmel Valley Road.

Meadows Rebates Total $30,000

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tax credit was applicable to only 55 of the 200 units, she said. According to the ground lease, the most stringent rules apply to all units, she said.

Besides using the wrong rent formula, the complex had not been granting a utility credit which ranged from $20 to $39 a month per unit, Hyland said. "They have acknowledged their errors and are in the process of rebating rents," she said.

Hyland said those residents who live in A units whose rates are set by the Rental Housing Construction Program were charged correctly. Everyone else will receive utility rebates, she said, and some residents will receive rebates due to incorrect rental charges.

Some examples of incorrect rents she gave were for couples who lived in D units and were charged $1,026 instead of the $873 allowed by government regulations.

In the C level units, couples were charged $684 instead of the $569 allowed, she said, and at the D level rents charged individuals in one bedroom were $913 rather than $770.

Hyland said at the July 7 meeting Ferguson told the residents that total rebates would amount to $30,000. Refunds will be figured according to how many months of rent tenants have paid, Hyland said.

Everyone's mandatory participation in meal service has been cancelled, Hyland said.

Residents told the *Sun* they have recently received a survey asking how many times a week they desire meal service.

Ferguson said the complex is now 86 percent rented. "It needs to be 95 percent," he said. "If it doesn't fill up, it will be a problem."

He said the operation is not in financial jeopardy, as start-up losses were planned for. "The question is services. We are going to try to continue food service," he said. "How many will sign up for it—we don't know." He said the complex also has 24 hour maintenance and provides a transportation service.

Ferguson said he wished the residents had come to him in the beginning with their questions. "We did not know we had a problem until we got calls from newspaper reporters," he said.

Hyland said Legal Services for Seniors is a nonprofit agency located in Pacific Grove which provides free legal service for anyone over age 65. The agency is funded by local cities, county and state monies along with grants and private donations, she said.

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County Joins in Seeking Injunction To Stop Rana Creek Airstrip Use

By Carolyn Rice

Monterey County joined rancher Peter Marble in seeking a Superior Court injunction against Michael Markkula to prohibit him from using the airstrip at his Rana Creek Ranch ranch in Carmel Valley.

Superior Court Judge William Curtis took the matter under consideration after the July 10 hearing. He set a court date of Sept. 10 to hear whether the county will be held liable for $215,000 for reimbursement of legal fees to Marble.

Markkula, a founder of Apple Computer, in turn, would be held responsible for the fees because of a condition on the county's approval of the airstrip for defense and indemnification of any lawsuit against the county, according to Markkula's attorney, Tony Lombardo.

Marble and Markkula own neighboring ranches east of the Carmel Valley Village. Marble's suit challenging approval of the airport was joined by a small coalition group known as Careful Objective Development of Monterey County.

Marble's lawyers asked that Markkula be forced to "remove the existing illegal airstrip, to stop using it, and to turn over any logs or records of flights made since Feb. 5 when the airport was declared illegal."

Lombardo said the question of reimbursing Marble's legal fees in the case is open to question. He explained that Marble had sued on many counts but won on only one—that the county should have required Markkula to prepare an environmental impact report (EIR).

Lombardo suggested significant parts of the legal fees had been spent on matters which Marble subsequently lost in the court.

Assistant County Counsel Efren Iglesia, responding to Marble's criticism of the county's lack of enforcement in the case, said an impression may have been created of lack of interest or lack of action on the part of the county. "This characterization of the county position is wrong and inaccurate," he said, stating the county is addressing alleged violations at the airstrip.

Iglesia said there has been an honest dispute between the county and Markkula. "The county has made it known to Markkula they can not use the airstrip. Markkula disputes that," Iglesia said. "The county feels that administrative action can still correct it," he said.

JoLynn Lambert, a San Francisco attorney representing Marble, said she did not understand why Markkula can continue landing at the airstrip. "The county has sent letters which say stop or we will take enforcement action," she said.

Lombardo argued the landings had not caused any irreparable injury. "There is really nothing here but an attempt to relitigate the case," he said.

But Lambert noted there had been no use of the airstrip between October of 1991 and March of this year when Markkula again started to use it. "We're asking them not to use it until they have a permit. The argument that we have not exhausted our administrative remedies is rather absurd," she said. "We don't want the airport used."

Depositions entered into evidence from neighbors said Markkula resumed using the airstrip in March. A photo of a landing also was introduced.

The airstrip was declared illegal by the Superior Court Feb. 5, 1991. It ruled that an EIR should have been prepared for an extension of an existing airstrip. The decision was appealed by Markkula but was upheld in the Sixth Court of Appeals.

Marble said he has spent $200,000 in attorney's fees over the past three years fighting the airstrip.

"Markkula's bills probably have to be triple that," he said.

Weed Abatement Critical to Fire Control

Started when a bird apparently flew into a power line, a brush fire which burned three acres and for a time threatened two homes on Jet Lane shows the value of maintaining a cleared area of at least 30 feet around structures, said Fire Capt. Jeff Frye.

With temperatures in the 80s and humidity low on the afternoon of July 8, the fire started in a canyon and quickly spread to Laurel Drive and to a fenceline in back of the two homes.

The fence was partly burned and the heat was so intense that several large windows in one of the homes blew out, said Frye.

"We were fortunate that all the tall grass (on the two lots) had recently been cleaned up," added the Carmel Valley fireman. "That's the key to saving homes around here."

Under a weed abatement program, the fire department has the authority to require property owners to clear a 30 foot defensible area around structures and if they fail to do so, to have the work done and place a lien on their property for the cost.

"We've never had to use that authority. People here are pretty cooperative," Frye said. "But we can have it done if we must. It takes a vote of our (fire district) board."

In the fire off Jet Lane, Frye said one homeowner was able to slow the advance of the blaze at the fence by spraying it with a garden hose. The other resident, an elderly woman, was evacuated from the house where the windows blew out from the heat, he said.

Frye said the Carmel Valley Fire Department dispatched three engines and two water tenders to the blaze, and the California Department of Forestry sent three engines, a hand crew and a helicopter, which never had to be used.

"It's going to be a terrible summer," Frye predicted, noting that midwinter rains caused a lot of vegetation to grown and which has now dried out and is very flammable. "We have to be prepared to get on any fires very fast."

Frye said the fire apparently started when a bird flew into a PG&E power line stretching over the canyon, causing it to arc. "There was a lot of fuel in that canyon. We were lucky that the fire was sort of contained by the roads."

He said the department did not have time or the personnel to go door to door and inspect under the weed abatement program. "But if we see a problem area or someone tells us about one, we follow up.

"This year, we've keyed in on vacant lots," Frye said. "There are a lot of absentee owners."

If an uncut lot is identified, Frye said a courtesy "weed abatement reminder" is sent the property owner along with a list of contractors who do such work.

If no action was taken within 14 days, a second letter called a "weed abatement notice" is sent. If no action has been taken after another 14-day period, Frye said, the fire district board could be asked to approve a resolution declaring the weeds a public nuisance.

If no action still has been taken, the state public resources code allows the fire chief to send a "notice to destroy weeds" to the owner by certified mail and for notices to be posted in front of the property. If still no action is taken, the fire district board must hold a hearing on the matter and then can have the weeds removed by a contractor.

A bill called "courtesy request for payment" then is sent to the owner asking for restitution of the cleanup cost, plus $20 or 20 percent, whichever is greater, for administration. If unpaid, the cost of the weed removal then is conveyed to the county auditor, and it becomes a special assessment against the property, removable only when paid in full.

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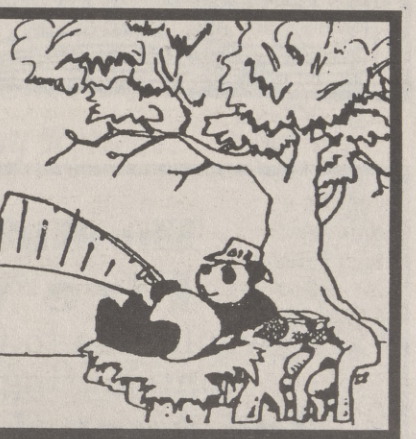

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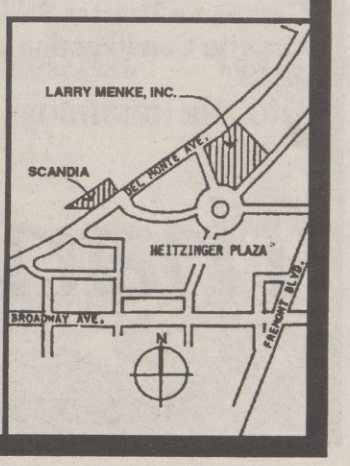

IN A DRAMATIC COMEBACK, Carmel Valley's Little League 12-year-old all stars beat East Hollister 11-10 in a Saturday tournament game in Gonzales. Down 0-9 at the end of three innings, the team battled back. In the sixth and last inning, with two men out, Jacob Kovacs' liner drove in two runs to tie it, and Jud dRichards then drove Kovacs in with the winning run. In a contest Sunday, Carmel Valley beat King City 9-5. But on Monday, Carmel Valley was ousted from the double-elimination tournament when it lost 3-9 to the Atlantic team from Salinas, having fallen earlier to Gonzales, Still, parents and fans boasted that this year's team did better in the tournament than any one in 15 years. Shown above in a team picture, in the back row, are Jacob Kovacs, B. J. Boehlje, Joseph Nichols, Stephen Moore, B. J. Johnston, Colter Bissel, John Battaglia, Judd Richards, Jojo Grewell and Danny Rosenthal. In the front are Matt Rotter, Ryan Kitagawa, Eddie Canadas, Brian Stream, Chris Little and Chris Paquin. Ed Canadas is manager of the team, and Steve Hohler is coach.

MID VALLEY FIREFIGHTERS, above, cooked tri-tips for 350 at their street party Saturday night at the Mid Valley Shopping Center. About 900 came to dance to a rock and a country band. Below, Jan and Dick Mumford visited with Joe Noto who held his granddaughter, Arianna Wiley. Her father, Jim Wiley is seated at center. *Sun photos by Carolyn Rice*

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pay interest at the rate of 5 per cent until warrants can be redeemed.

The amount of the sales tax warrant was not known when the *Sun* went to press. Last year the July payment was $119,700, Davenport said.

To date, she said, the city is looking at a total loss of approximately $800,000 in the current year—$228,000 from reduced state sources, $225,000 for the Workmans Compensation Fund, and $331,202 that was transferred from the reserve fund and was unable to be replenished at the end of the fiscal year for lack of funds. "The figures change day to day," she said of attempts to anticipate revenues from the state.

Planning for the current fiscal year began several weeks ago with D'Ambrosio creating two separate budget committees, one including city department employees and the other comprised of department directors and management staff. Some city employees were excited at being asked to take part in the budget process, an input initiated by D'Ambrosio.

D'Ambrosio said he had kept Mayor Ken White and city council members posted. The city began running late in budget adoption two years ago because of delays in county budget decisions affecting its revenues. The 1991-92 fiscal year ended June 30.

Focusing on how to cut expenses and enhance revenues, D'Ambrosio said the management team was looking at ideas for assessment districts, fees for services, increases in charges for services and other approaches to broaden the city's revenue base. The idea of new taxes, which would require a two-thirds vote, has little interest at City Hall.

"The goal and focus of our efforts is to create a more self sufficient revenue base and create concepts and new approaches to improving the business climate within our community," D'Ambrosio said in his weekly letter. Asked what this entailed, he said it would be something to pursue "if the staff feels that its desirable but it would be difficult in this recession."

Of the five major revenue sources for the city, Davenport said all but the hostelry tax, the largest income-producer, were off from budgeted projections. The hostelry tax, the only true city tax which is collected directly from motels and hotels, was up $11,541 at $2,612,900. The five major sources comprise approximately 83 percent of all revenues.

The biggest drop was in the sales tax, down $271,944 at $1,600,056. Property tax revenues were off $16,297 at $1,305,428, business license fees were off $2,432 at $337,168 and parking tickets and fines were down $21,469 at $433,531. The total for the five major revenue sources was off $300,601 at $6,300,624.

Other sources of revenue lower than projections were: the garbage franchise, off $51,348 to $13,6542 because the effective date of an increase was delayed; interest off $18,326 at $161,674; building permits off $29,882 at $70,118 and revenue from other miscellaneous agencies off $49,478 at $254,724.

The drop in building permits reflected the real estate downturn in Carmel. The drop in actual income as opposed to budgeted was $42,182 from the $122,182 collected in 1988-89.

One bright spot in the picture was a healthy $39,512 increase in Sunset Center Use fees for a total of $180,563 in revenue from the popular cultural center.

In all of the city's 53 revenue sources, Davenport said 24 came in under budget, 16 over budget, and 13 met or came close to the budgeted figure.

While revenues dipped, expenditures in several areas were higher than during the 1988-89 fiscal year, Davenport said.

Salaries and benefits were up 31 percent or $1,274,408 in 1991-92 to a total $5,375,103.

Debt service on the city's purchase of the land for Rio Park and Vista Lobos Park jumped 109 percent to $685,644.

The city was able to hold the line on capital improvements, off 35 percent at $337,492 from the previous fiscal year, facility improvements off 73 percent at $117,390 and capital outlays, off 72 percent at $291,030.

Part of the staff costs included in the $5,375,103 salary and benefits figure for last year was for seasonal relief, short term employees who are hired to help out in virtually every department.

"They're an advantage to the city," Davenport said. "We don't pay benefits. There are flexible hours for employees" such as working mothers and the city is not committed to a fulltime salary position.

She said Harrison Memorial Library hired the most temporary help, spending $131,891 last year. The fire department spent $30,000, the police department, $4,445; public works, $27,000; forest and beach, $23,000; community and culture, $27,000; administrative services $17,650; administration, $9,600; recreation $8,005 and building and planning, $3,000.

Revenues from Carmel-by-the-Sea's Five Major Sources

	1991-92 Budget	Actual Revenue	Difference
Property Tax City receives only a portion of 1% of tax collected by County	$1,321,725	$1,305,428	($16,297)
Sales Tax City collects one cent of the 7.75 collected	1,872,000	1,600,056	(271,944)
Business Licenses Either charged as a % of gross sales or as a fixed fee	339,600	337,168	(2,432)
Hostelry Local tax of 10% on room rate	2,612,900	2,624,441	11,541
Traffic Safety % of parking ticket and fines. County and administering agency receive a share	455,000	433,531	(21,469)
Total	**$6,601,225**	**$6,300,624**	**($300,601)**

Chart by June Levora

Summary Comparison of Expenditures 1988/89—1991/92

	88/89	91/92	Differences	
Salary/Benefits	$4,100,695	$5,375,103	$1,274,408	31%
Materials/Services	648,474	678,611	30,137	5%
Grants	58,552	80,659	22,107	38%
Capital Improvements	516,002	337,492	(178,510)	(35%)
Non-Departmental	718,301	921,053	*202,752	28%
Debt Service	328,018	685,644	357,626	109%
Facility Improvements	160,706	43,316	(117,390)	(73%)
Capital Outlay	404,328	113,298	(291,030)	(72%)
Benefit Liability	84,942	25,265	(59,677)	(70%)
Unemployment	676	1,434	758	112%
Encumbrance	746,127	186,794	N/A pertains to funds from the previous budget	
Total	**$7,766,821**	**$8,448,669**		

* The increase is approximately $43,000 in longevity benefits, expenses for the 75th birthday celebration, the City election and increased rates for Liability and Workers Compensation Insurance.

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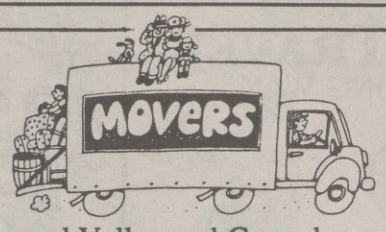

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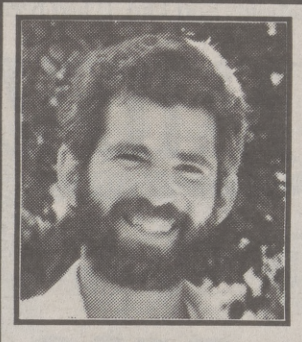

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End of Moratorium Clouded by Paralta Well Dispute

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for the well and attach "reasonable and justifiable" conditions to its use.

The Paralta well is the key to lifting the water management district's building moratorium which was imposed in January of 1991 for what many board members expected to be a relatively short period. But a series of delays have kept the well from coming on stream, the most serious being the presence of hydrogen sulfide in the water which makes it smell bad.

The chemicals at issue in the controversy with Seaside, lye and hydrogen peroxide, would be introduced into a main line carrying the water to connect with Cal-Ams principal distribution network and neutralize the smell which is similar to rotting eggs.

In approving the building moratorium, the board of the water management district ruled that it could not be lifted until additional water supplies were developed for use on the peninsula. That decision grew out of an earlier one that the water district had allocated more water than it could safely pump without causing environmental damage to the Carmel River.

Therefore, directors tied the end of the moratorium not to the drought—which ended this past winter—but to the development of additional water supplies.

The Paralta well, which Foy said has cost Cal-Am about $1 million, was long thought to be the source of new water that could be developed most quickly, but it is now a year beyond the most optimistic projections for the start of its use.

Foy said if the City Council should uphold the Planning Commission's decision, he estimated that it would take about seven months and the city would be the lead agency in determining the issues the EIR should explore.

Previously, Foy has said that it would take several months of work to bring the well on stream even after a permit is approved. He explained that a pipeline and an underground storage bunker for the lye and hydrogen peroxide still would have to be constructed.

The Paralta well is on the north side of Seaside which adjoins Fort Ord. It had been suggested that the Army might allow Cal-Am to bring the treatment chemicals to the well through the base to avoid having to transport them through the Seaside neighborhood.

Initially, the Army refused to grant permission, but Foy said the Army has agreed to reconsider.

But he said the Army also was asking that an environmental impact statement be prepared, That would take an estimated six months, Foy said, and the Army only would be willing to grant a temporary license good for a year because of pending plans to shut the base down.

Because of the short duration of the Army license, Foy suggested he was not eager to pursue that option.

The well originally was predicted to produce 1,000 acre-feet a year, and the water management district voted to release only 358 acre-feet of it for new development. The bulk of the water would go to cover the deficit the water district said existed because of past over-allocation and to help create a drought reserve.

McClaire has been frequently at odds with the water district's policies, especially over its formula for allocating new water to the jurisdictions within it.

Seaside also is seen in some quarters as exercising its political muscle in an attempt to be a major player in deciding the future use of Fort Ord once the main group of soldiers there are transferred to Fort Lewis, Wash.

Single-Car Crash Kills Man Near Palo Colorado

A man driving alone in a rental car at high speed was killed when he ran off Highway 1 near Palo Colorado Canyon Tuesday and hit a tree.

The highway was closed for more than three hours following the accident while the victim was extricated.

As of noon Wednesday the CHP declined to identify the victim, explaining his next of kin still had not been notified. A spokesman said the car was southbound at speeds estimated at between 55 and 70 miles an hour when the crash occurred.

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New CCGG Head Wants Cooperation on Zoning

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over what types of business serve the 4,300 residents of the city and what serve just tourists. Most find it a hard line to discern although tourist businesses such as T-shirt shops, jewelry stores and art galleries are not allowed outside the central commercial zone.

Just as people began wondering what happened to the small citizens group formed prior to the April 14 election, members held a meeting July 1 naming new officers and setting an agenda. An active participant in city affairs, Sutton, whose credentials as a native Carmelite, lifelong resident and businessman are impeccable, was named chairman to succeed attorney Bob D'Isidoro.

"We rushed the group together because the election was going back and forth," Sutton said. "It looked like pretty much of a blood bath."

He said he thought that a two-page advertisement in the *Sun* printing the answers to key questions posed to the mayoral and City Council candidates in taped interviews "really helped. It let people make up their minds. A lot of people go to a forum, and it's very convincing, but they're politicians talking. This worked out exactly the way we wanted it."

All the candidates but one participated in the CCGG interviews. CRA candidate Barbara Livingston, who went on to win a council seat, refused to take part. The CCGG did not endorse any candidates, saying it simply wanted to make their views available to the voters.

Now, Sutton explained, "We want to get larger and get more input. If we can get meetings started with the CBA and the CRA, we'd probably have a meeting every two weeks.

"We decided to prioritize zoning because a lot of people are still confused, including myself."

A study of commercial zoning was ordered by the City Council in 1990 after it wrestled with a series of appeals from Planning Commission decisions based on complex regulations and ordinances that often seemed to make no sense. The commission held 18 hearings and sent its recommendations to the council which, after a town meeting last February, voted to extend the central commercial zone south of Seventh Street but not north to Fifth as the commission had proposed.

The council action was sent back to the commission which held another series of public hearings and issued a mitigated negative declaration for public comment three weeks ago.

But the public and even Mayor Ken White, who served on the previous council, seem to be ignoring the whole commission process with White proposing that a group of community people could do an economic study and come up with a solution. His idea is not unlike that proposed by CCGG.

"We see ourselves as kind of mediators," Sutton said. "there has always been conflict between the residents and business people. We can talk to people and have them report back to their groups...The way they're doing it now is going to take forever. We're never going to get anywhere unless somebody does something."

A FIXTURE IN CARMEL is Nielsen Bros. Market founded by Walter and Harold Nielsen and now operated by Merv and Nancie Nielsen Sutton. He is the new chairman of Carmel Citizens for Good Government. *Sun photo by Isabelle Hall*

Part of CCGG's thinking is to have a group that would intercede at the entry level when a new business first investigates moving into the one-mile square city. Sutton said the group believes that if business owners had a better idea of what to expect, so many of them wouldn't be out of business in nine or ten months.

"I hate to see 70 or 80 business spaces in Carmel empty," he said, looking out his second story window at San Carlos and Seventh below. "It's Saturday in July. Look, there's not a car moving down there. I can remember a few years ago when cars would be backed from Ocean Avenue past here all the way to Eighth."

He does not believe the zoning problem is going to go away by itself "as long as there's (new) businesses getting turned down" at City Hall.

Sutton and his wife have such strong ties in the city they could be Mr. and Mrs. Carmel. Both were born in Carmel and attended Sunset School and Carmel High School where they became sweethearts. Lifelong residents before and after their marriage, they are soon to celebrate their 34th wedding anniversary and a lifetime of operating the popular market.

Nancie Sutton is the daughter of Walter Nielsen, who along with his brother Harold, founded the market in 1928.

"We work together seven days a week," Sutton said. "I'm here at 7:30 in the morning. We close at 8."

Their daughter, Christian, 22, is a checker at the market. Daphne, 25, is studying to be a dental hygienist and Jeffrey, 30 is an agent with the Carmel Monterey Travel Agency. Sutton's mother, Vivian, a widow, lives at the Riverwood Condominium at the mouth of the Valley.

An active man who runs five miles most mornings, Sutton is a member of the Carmel Youth Center board, Recreation Commission, Ad Hoc Parking Committee, Rio Park Committee and Carmel Rotary and the new 76th Birthday Committee planning a city-wide celebration at Sunset Center in October.

Sutton believes Carmel's boom ended in the 1989 Loma Prieta earthquake, a time "when every business in every resort area in California started going downhill. Before that even people who weren't good businessmen did well."

He predicted the Carmel city government, already suffering from a loss in sales tax revenues and proposed state budget cutbacks, is in for another surprise when it collects its business license renewals for the 1992-93 fiscal year. The business license tax is one of the five major city sources of revenue and, in the fiscal year just ended, brought in $337,168, down $2,432 from what was projected.

"Our business is down 30 per cent over the past three years," Sutton said, predicting the total revenue from "business licenses will be really, really down."

Professional businesses such as a medical or dental practice, architects or accountants can pay a flat $100 fee or pay 1.5 per $1,000 assessment on gross income. Other businesses like his grocery store are assessed only on the basis of their gross income, a system Sutton considers grossly unfair. Several years ago, he said about 10 of the business owners in town figured they were paying the bulk of the total business license fees. "A lot of people don't know about the inequities," he said.

Sutton praised the mayor for starting a series of meetings with local groups to talk about problems but said several people would like Police Chief Jack McGilvary to be in attendance.

"Carmel is really not a friendly place," Sutton said. "There are very few people that own a business in Carmel that don't complain about the $15 parking tickets here when all other shopping centers are free."

Parking tickets and fines are Carmel's fourth largest source of revenue bringing in $433,531 last year, off $21,469 from budget projections.

Sutton also blames high rents for forcing out many businesses over the past 25 years or so. "There were 16 grocery stores at one time, five or six of them just on Dolores."

He recalled how not too many years ago he did a big business from the Texas oil barons who maintained vacation homes at Pebble Beach. "Now Bechtel has the only one left, I think.

"People aren't entertaining at home today. If they're not entertaining, they aren't buying raspberries, they're not having people over for port and cheese."

Nielsen's rents 8,000 square feet, including 2,000 for a below-ground parking garage and storage. Including the three Suttons, it employs 25 people working two shifts from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. The only other grocery store in Carmel is Bruno's on Junipero.

Sutton blames much of the loss of business on the fact that local people aren't buying in Carmel. "If most business people were honest, their business is down," he said. "We used to be known as an art community with quality shops. Now the discount stores, Costco, the Liquor Barn, have everything we have. The chains are all over."

He disagrees with the theory put forward this year to explain why sales tax revenues are down and hostelry taxes are up that people are still coming to Carmel but just aren't buying anything.

Although the hostelry tax was the only major source of city revenue to show an increase—up $411,541 to $2,612,900 in fiscal 1991-92, Sutton says he thinks it is because the hotels and motels raised their rates. "I just don't see the people. The only way I can see that it is higher is that the rates have gone up."

CCGG Adds Three Members

Merv Sutton, chairman of Carmel Citizens for Good Government (CCGG), said the political action group has added three new members for a total of 11.

They are Lillian Hazdovac, a member of the Mission Trail Park Committee, Ted Fehring, a member of the Northeast Neighborhood Association, and Glenn Leidig, a lifetime resident who owns Plaza San Carlos.

Others in the group are Phyllis Howard, Judy Lyle, Joseph Chaffers, Bob D'Isidoro, Clint Eastwood, Howard Nieman, Jr. and Alan Williams. "We want input and we want membership, maybe 20 to 24 people in all," Sutton said. There are no dues. CCGG was created prior to the April 14 election. Four of its members—Chaffers, Eastwood, Nieman and Williams—also are members of the Voice of Carmel, a group that polls residents on city issues.

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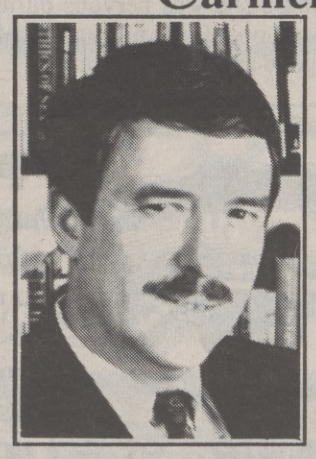

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Part-time Carmel Valley Coup

CARL SIGG PACKED survival gear, above, along with his vacation needs when he took off on a trip to Alaska. as required by Canadian and Alaskan regulations. Below, Carl and Evelyn Sigg back home at Mid Valley show their National Siggographic, a magazine they produced by computer to highlight their memories of the trip.

By Carolyn Rice

Carl Sigg and his wife, Evelyn, weekend residents of Carmel Valley for the past five years, have organized their life so that it sort of revolves around flying.

They fly from Mountain View, where they both work in the electronics industry, to Carmel Valley airport nearly every Friday afternoon. If the weather is questionable, "I call the waitresses at the Running Iron before I take off," he said. If they report they can see the top of the hills, he heads for the Valley.

"It's like leading two lives," Sigg said of their split residence. "We have two different sets of friends. You can turn off the other environment. It's just pleasant to get away. Flying down is far less hassle than driving."

Wife Never Liked Flying

Evelyn Sigg said her husband took her up flying before they were married 16 years ago. When asked if she liked it, she replied, "No."

"She used to get sick on the way to the airport," he recalled. But she remained a good sport about flying, and the Siggs have since taken five major flying vacations in their tandem, two-seater, a 1980 Varga Kachina which has a cruising speed of about 130 miles per hour.

Siggs described it as "a pretty rare airplane." He said it was produced in Chandler, Ariz., and the company probably made less than 150 of the planes. "It's more of a pilot's airplane than a passenger airplane."

"That's for sure," his wife commented.

Wanted to Hunt and Fish

When the friendly but low-key couple came up with the idea of buying a weekend home about five years ago, he was thinking about a home in some remote place where he could hunt and fish. But his wife was afraid she would not have much to do in such a location, so they settled on a weekend place at Mid Valley.

In Silicon Valley, she works on information technology for Hewlett Packard, and he is in Xerox's national marketing of computer plotters used by engineers for graphics.

Marking one of their longer air trips—one to Alaska and British Columbia celebrating their anniversary—Evelyn Sigg produced a slick brochure using desktop publishing which she called *National Siggographic.*

10,000-Mile Flying Trip

It is laid out like a *National Geographic,* has a color cover and gives an account of their three-week, 10,000 mile flying trip last summer. With text and photos, it chronicles their experiences flying along deserted, meandering rivers, gliding past glaciers, winding through the inside passages and misty fiords. "We flew almost 80 hours through some of the most nonstop, spectacular scenery," she wrote.

She said she used the flight log when putting together the account of the trip, a project took her about 20 hours.

"I like looking back at it. It was one of the most exciting and interesting trips we've taken," she said. In fact, she said she has probably enjoyed looking back at the trip more than the actual trip. When asked if it was because she was nervous during the trip, she said no. "I was not scared. My husband is a good and careful pilot."

Ran into Rainy Weather

But she said they ran into a lot of rainy weather and looking back on their adventure is more fun for her than actually experiencing it was at times.

The Siggs packed survival kits along with their other vacation needs, as flight regulations in Alaska and Canada require pilots to do. Required items included sleeping bags, a snare, survival rifle and 10,000 calories of food. "We got questioned a lot about the survival kits when we filed our flight plans," Sigg said.

The Siggs said they never make reservations ahead of time on their flying vacations. "We go where the weather is good," he said, explaining he likes to fly into small airports.

Evelyn Sigg said she'd heard from a co-worker who had visited Alaska about a couple who had to sleep in their car because they didn't make reservations ahead of time. She said she is not fond of camping. "I was a bit nervous that we'd end up using the emergency tent and sleeping bag." But they always found accommodations, she said.

A Rustic Ranch in Chilcotin

One memorable stopping point was Chilanko Lodge, a rustic ranch in the middle of the mountainous Chilcotin area of British Columbia. The Siggs said the lodge had an adjoining airstrip and provided the perfect place to unwind from the hectic pace of their Silicon Valley lives.

She wrote in her account, "We were told that the lodge had its share of celebrities in the past and that we were sleeping in the same cabin that Elizabeth Taylor and John Wayne had once stayed in, at different times, of course."

Sigg flew a course that generally kept him above the Alaska Highway. Private airstrips are usually not far from the highway, and in case of emergency, the highway surface provides and good landing spot, he explained.

One Alaskan destination—Homer on the Kenai Peninsula—afforded awe-inspiring views of the Peninsula mountains with their glaciers flowing down to the sea. "I had promised not to take countless pictures of glaciers, but I couldn't help but snap one picture after another of the beautiful glacial fields," Evelyn Sigg wrote in her *National Siggographic.*

On the Lookout for Bears

At the next stop, Yakutat, Sigg found it amusing to be warned to be on the lookout for grizzly bears crossing the runway. The Siggs didn't see any, but the gas boy confirmed the warning. "If they show up, you'll have to wait 'til they're gone before you get you gas," he told them. After refueling and taking off, the Siggs were about 1,000 feet up when they heard another approaching pilot reporting a mother grizzly and two cubs crossing the runway.

They boarded a bus for a 170-mile round trip to Denali National Park, the largest national park in the U.S. viewing mountains, plains, and abundant wildlife—elk, caribou, Dall sheep, moose, grizzly bears and their cubs and ptarmigans.

They also saw the tallest mountain in North America, 20,300-foot Mount McKinley, on a crystal clear day. "We didn't realize how fortunate we were to have such beautiful weather until we were told that Mount McKinley is normally visible only 20 percent of the time," she recalled.

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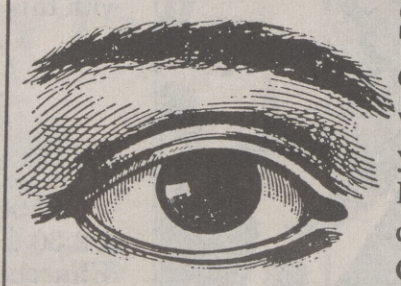

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Couple Commutes, Vacations By Air

A VAST OPEN ALASKAN LANDSCAPE stretches as far as the eye can see. Carl and Evelyn Sigg never tired of viewing beautiful islands, lush forests and glaciers from the air but could have done with a few less rainy days which kept them grounded on a flying trip. Evelyn Sigg recounted overhearing on their plane's radio that a jet which had taken off from the Juneau Airport had to return because it had hit a salmon. Upon takeoff, the plane had apparently startled an eagle into dropping its catch of the day. The fish smacked into the jet's windshield. Another radio transmission they overheard upon takeoff from a small airport at Yakutat was from an approaching pilot. He reported a mother grizzly bear and two cubs were crossing the runway.

Sun photos by Evelyn and Carl Sigg and Carolyn Rice

Park District Asked To Help Buy 680 Acres in Big Sur

The Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District was asked to help purchase 680 acres—known as "cougar gulch"—which overlooks the coast from east of Garrapata State Beach south of Carmel.

Brian Steen, executive director of the Big Sur Land Trust, appeared at the monthly board meeting July 6 and asked the park district to contribute $125,000 toward the $925,000 purchase of the property owned by William Lange.

Saying the Lange family had owned the property some 60 years, Steen explained that the Wildlife Conservation Board was willing to contribute $800,000 toward the purchase.

In asking the park district to make up the difference by using Proposition 117—or so-called mountain lion habitat funds—Steen said the property was marvelous wildlife habitat, had been called "cougar gulch" and would be best managed by the state Fish & Game Department if the sale goes through.

Directors agreed to make a field trip to inspect the property July 24. They will take up at their August board meeting how their annual payment of Proposition 117 funds will be used.

Steen said the property is about two miles east of Highway 1, up a very steep mountain road and still has an old ranch house and other farm buildings on it.

The regional park district receives $1.5 million a year from Prop 117. That money is specifically targeted for the purchase of mountain lion habitat in the Santa Lucia mountains.

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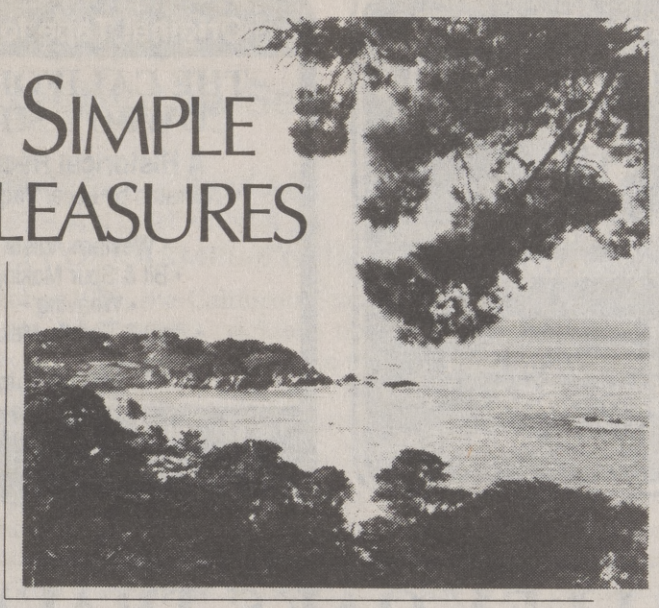

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SPANISH EVENING BY DONALD TEAGUE is one of the paintings that will be on display in August when the Carmel Art Association celebrates its 65th anniversary with a special exhibition of his work. Teague, who died in 1991, was a member of the association, a National Academician and a member of the American Watercolor Society. The special exhibit will open Aug. 6 at the Dolores Street gallery which is open daily 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Gallery Fare Ranges From Teague to Bean And Cowboy Group

Exhibits at local art galleries in coming weeks range from a tribute to Carmel artist Donald Teague at the Carmel Art Association to a celebration of rodeo and cowboy art at Martin Weekly's Gallery Carmel.

Teague's watercolors and oils are on loan from private collections throughout the country for the special exhibition celebrating the Carmel Art Association's 65th anniversary.

Teague, who died in 1991, was a member of the association, a National Academician and a member of the American Watercolor society. The tribute to him opens Aug. 6 through Sept. 1. A native of Brooklyn, N.Y., Teague moved to Carmel in 1949 with his wife, Verna, and two daughters.

Six artists are featured in the "Flavor of the West" exhibit at Martin Weekly's gallery. Friends of Weekly, himself a western artist, they include: Keith Christie, Joanne Jenkins, Russ Kimberling, Vel Miller, Donald Putman and Jack Swanson, a member of the prestigious Cowboy Artists of America, who lives in Cachagua. It will be held Friday and Saturday.

The work of Carmel Valley watercolorist Ron Bean is on display this month at the Carmel Valley Manor Hallway Gallery which is at 8545 Carmel Valley Road. A purist, Bean uses only transparent color for his work, mostly landscapes.

Photographer/painter Walter Nelson will have an exhibition at the Center for Photographic Arts at Sunset Center from July31 through Sept. 11 with an opening reception July 31 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Nelson combines color photographs with painting and sculpture.

A three woman show will be held today through Sunday at the Gabilan Room of the Salinas Community Center featuring the work of Pamela Heneks, Suzanne Reeves and Kris Swanson.

"STEWARDS OF THE RANGE; THE AMERICAN CATTLEMEN" is by Jack Swanson of Cachagua whose work will be featured this weekend in a "Flavor of the West" exhibit at the Martin Weekly Gallery Carmel. The renowned western artist created the oil for the Stewards of the Range Committee to help fund a major property rights case called Hage v. United States. It is being described as the pivotal case in the property rights area. Signed, limited edition prints and chances to win the original oil are for sale prior to the original being raffled off in October.

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CVPOA Complains about Illegal Bike Use on Garland Park Trails

Several Carmel Valley Property Owner Association (CVPOA) board members reported seeing mountain bicycles in Garland Park in off-limits areas above the newly opened bike trail which connects East Garzas Road to the Little League Field in Carmel Valley Village.

Board member Lee Rieman said legal use of the new trail had been heavy. Twelve to 14 individuals use it on weekdays, he estimated, and more on weekends.

"A lot of people drive down with bikes on tops of their cars," he said. Two men who work in the Carmel Valley Village use it daily to go to work, Rieman reported. "I guess it helps reduce the cars on Carmel Valley Road."

The issue of bicycle use in Garland Park has been long and hard fought. Directors of the 3,300-acre park agreed this year to allow bicyclists use of the Little League trail and also dedicated the 144-acre Cooper Ranch addition to bike use.

Bikes are restricted from other trails, where hikers and horses are permitted. The Little League trail permits hikers, bikers and horses—the only trail in the park to allowed mixed use.

Speaking of bicyclists using trails restricted to hikers and horses, board member Roger Williams noted one of the conditions of the Garland Park use permit requires monitoring of bicycle riding.

Rieman said he had instructed officials of the Trail & Saddle Club to write General Manager Gary Tate of the Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District and Anne Towner, a Monterey County planner, a letter whenever they see a bike rider off the permitted trails.

Ileene Crane-Franks, who serves on the Upper Carmel Valley Advisory Committee, asked if anyone on the lower advisory committee ever had been questioned about being a property owner. She said the upper advisory committee had an active member whom county officials asked to resign from because he is not a property owner.

Board member Max Chaplin asked his colleagues if any one would be willing to serve on the League of Women Voters' regional planning committee, calling it a "consensus building group aimed at land use." He said it has representation from a number of business organizations and other groups including the Sierra Club. "We have gotten substantial agreement on the problem and why the committee needs to exist," he said. "It's vital to get local government involved," he said. "We're trying to get the mayors and supervisors to appoint representatives."

The committee is looking at a county wide referendum for basic goals for a master plan, he said. The referendum probably would create a regional agency which would develop a regional land use plan, he said.

Board member Pete Salmonsen said he agreed regional planning needs to be done, "But we don't need another level of bureaucracy."

Chaplin said one reason it makes sense to have regional planning is because the area would then be exempt from most state planning requirements. "It's one way to take charge of our own regional plan and not leave it up to the state," he said.

In a report on membership, Crane-Franks said CVPOA now has 751 members, down from 1,300 when Dick Nimmons was president a few years ago. She suggested the group undertake a membership drive.

A SMILING JACOB SAXTON accepts the applause of the crowd as he sits down after playing a saxaphone solo Sunday with Youth Music Monterey during the Carmel Valley Community Center's first music in the park performance this season. Saxton, 13, was one of a number of young area musicians attending the three-week camp. The Monterey Jazz Festival provides scholarships for many of the musicians. Forty six students from around the country are attending the camp. *Sun photo by Stan Hall*

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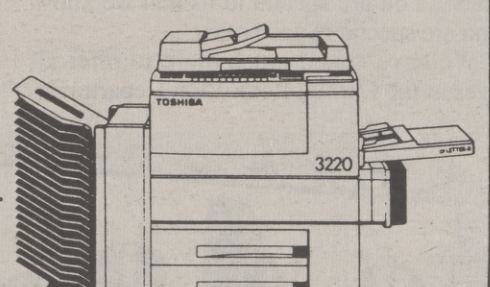

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City of Carmel-by-the-Sea

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On 9 October 1991, the California State court of Appeals confirmed City Ordinance No. 89-17 which prohibits transient commercial use of residential property for remuneration for less than thirty (30) consecutive days in R-1 (residential) districts of the City. The United States Supreme Court, in its 18 May 1992 order, let stand the California State Court of Appeals for the Sixth District decision confirming City Ordinance No. 89-17.

The prohibition of "transient commercial use" of property in residential areas means that the use of any residential property for, or as, a bed-and-breakfast, hostel, hotel, inn, lodging, motel, resort, or other transient lodging uses for less than thirty (30) consecutive days is not permitted. "Remuneration" means compensation, money, rent, trade, or other bargained-for consideration in return for occupancy, possession, or use of the residential property for less than thirty (30) consecutive days.

The City Ordinance (law) is now in effect and will be enforced. Penalties, fines, and civil remedies may be imposed under the terms of the Ordinance. Three violations in any one year may result in future violations being filed as misdemeanors.

The purpose of the Ordinance is to ensure the integrity of the R-1 (residential) zones to preserve Carmel-by-the-Sea's sense of community by ensuring that single-family residences (including guest houses and subordinate units) are not used for short-term or vacation rentals. Homes in the R-1 districts may still be rented on a lease basis or month-to-month for thirty (30) consecutive days or longer.

THIS PUBLIC NOTICE WILL SERVE TO NOTIFY ALL PERSONS OF THE LAW ESTABLISHED BY THIS ORDINANCE AND OF THE CITY'S INTENT TO ENFORCE IT. This Public Notice will also serve as notice to person(s) or business(es) who may be engaged in such transient rental activity to immediately cease and desist such activity or be subject to penalty as provided by the Ordinance.

Should you have any questions about the Ordinance or its application, or should you have concerns about the use of residential property in your neighborhood, please contact Art Black, Transient Rental Coordinator, Drawer G, Carmel-by-the-Sea CA 93921, phone 624-0552.

(s) Donald G. Freeman
City Attorney
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JERRY

If you haven't been reading our column in **The Weekly Sun** you have missed out on some action packed recreation events. But don't worry, we have much more planned for the summer and beyond. So get up off that couch, you "potato" (or is that "potatoe"?) and catch our fun and excitement. Once you do you'll be hooked.

SLOT TREK TOURS is warming up its engine for its maiden trip under the direction of the Recreation Department. For many years this very successful tour program was operated by Marian and Bob Fischer. They have turned the program over to us and are ready to go. **Mark your calendars for Sept. 27, 28, and 29.**

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The cost for all this is $135 for a single, $100 per person double occupancy, or $96.00 per person with three to a room (includes rollaway bed). We also have a $5 box lunch available for the trip up. On the way up and back we will play some exciting games of bingo. The tour director for this trip will be none other than Mike (Jerry will go if two buses fill up), and registrations are running hot and heavy. So give us a call at 626-1255 for a registration packet. **A deposit of $35.00 is required by Aug. 10 and space is reserved on a first come first serve basis. So don't delay.**

PARK FEST a continuing success! Every Friday from Noon until 1:30 p.m. in Carmel's Devendorf Park you are treated to outstanding free entertainment and free barbecued hot dogs. This program is offered by the Recreation Department with funding from the Mayor's Youth Fund. To date, we have had clowns and Folk and Bluegrass music. On Friday, we offer the Scott Brown Band featuring Peggy Brown with a variety of tunes including soft rock and pop tunes.

Kids! Attention! Don't miss the show on July 31 Back for his third year will be Gary Lapow from the Disney Channel and Nickelodeon. This is a great audience participation show that is fun for the whole family. Last year the park was filled for Gary's show and we ran out of hot dogs. We won't run out this year, but you better come early for a good seat.

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Hummmmmmmm Baby! We thought there were a bunch of S.F. Giants fans in our area. If so, why haven't you signed up for our Giants vs. Pirates game on Saturday, Aug. 22? Your $30 fee includes bus transportation, your ticket and soft drinks on the trip up. We have extended the sign-up deadline but you need to reserve your spot.

Our list of Wednesday evening bingo winners continues to grow, and you can't get on it unless you join us at 6:30 p.m. each Wednesday in J.O.'s Lumberyard Room at Vista Lobos. For instance, take that well known Carmelite Edith Pullen who complained weekly (all in good fun, of course) about her bad luck at bingo. Last week she won three games. Rumor has it she is storing her winnings away for the Slot Trek Bally's trip. Other winners include the Klaumann family, Nell Lohr, Linda Corr and so many more. And we have to salute two of our regular Bingo players, and motor home travelers, Esther and Clifford Tinker. They will be celebrating their 50th (that's right, no mistake - their 50th), wedding anniversary on Saturday, Aug. 8. Congratulations Esther and Cliff from the entire Recreation staff! You are special to us and we know you are special to each other.

We have much, much more to offer all ages at the Carmel Recreation Department. Just give Jerry, Mike or Alison a call at 626-1255 and we'll give you the scoop and get you signed up. Remember, sign-up early because all classes have a minimum and maximum number of enrollees. Finally, as we leave for this week ponder this. What do the Colorado River, the Desert, Arizona and bright lights have in common. See you in two weeks.

DURING A STOP at Sam's Town on the way to South Tahoe, Beth and Ralph Morrow and Pauleen Ryan stopped for a picture. The Slot Trek tour members also snapped Didsy and Mario Jaybo, below, on the bus.

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OUT AND ABOUT

BY ISABELLE HALL

Sitting in my living room at night, I feel all is well with the world when the sun sets in Alaska. I never used to even think about such things until I got my "Planet Earth Motion Globe."

This beautiful globe is the ingenious creation of Rod Davies, an old and dear friend who is an inventor. He got the idea for a globe that would actually show the sun making its daily rotation around the world precisely in the time zones. Right now, for example, the sun sets in Carmel Highlands about 8:25 p.m. and in Alaska about 10:15 p.m. Pacific Daylight Time.

Rod's globe has a base that displays local time in the world's major cities so you can tell at a glance what time it is as well as see at a glance that half of the world is in darkness and half in light by means of a rotating device within the globe and a simple lightbulb.

The directions are so explicit that even I had no trouble setting it up and setting the correct time although science and I parted forever in Grade 12.

As with some of his other inventions, Stan and I were much involved in the long process it took Rod and his wife, Lois, to bring this idea to fruition from an idea in his head that he meticulously worked out on paper to the creation of the physical object that is now for sale in stores like the Nature Co. and through such prestigious catalogues as Hammacher Schlemmer. He told us about it originally during a visit and brought the rough product for us to see on subsequent visits, always questioning if we understood how it would work and asking if we thought it would be useful.

Rod is 77. He got the idea for the globe about three years ago. I haven't asked him lately but I am sure he is now thinking about another invention, or maybe several.

A big, smiling Welshman, he has always taken the different route through life. After serving in the Navy during World War II, he went to General Motors Institute (GMI), an engineering school run by General Motors to produce its own specialists but available to non-corporate students as well.

Davies roomed at GMI with "Pete" Estes who would go on to become president of the world's largest corporation. But for Rod, a big corporation was too stifling. He went his own way and formed his own mini-corporation building weapons elevators for aircraft carriers, designing special steering gear for ships, even coming up with an early design for a vacuum toilet.

Rod and Lois put one of the low-flush toilets in the master bathroom in their Bloomfield Hills home where it worked exceedingly well, using only 1 cup of water per flush. This was in about 1974, years before such water-saving ideas were popular anywhere except on a boat.

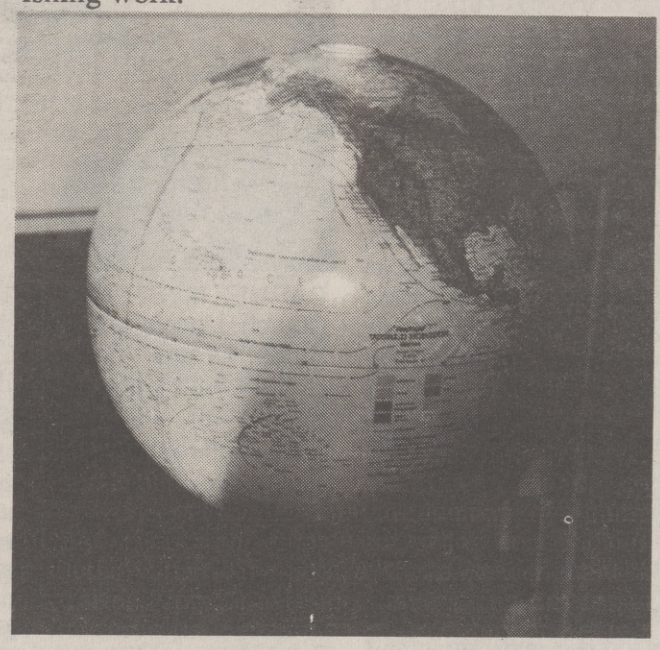
After he sold his company in the 70's and sold their house, the Davies moved to a condominium where Rod puttered around for a couple of months, then set up his drafting board in the basement and began to design a boat—not just any boat but an 88-foot yacht that he planned to build for himself.

As inventive in the kitchen as her husband was at his drafting table, Lois continued to give little dinner parties where we would learn of Rod's progress. We would take our pre-dinner cocktails and visit the basement for an update. I don't think even Stan always knew what Rod was talking about but his enthusiasm was contagious. It seemed like no time at all before the design was pretty much finished and about to leap off the drawing board and into the water.

Actually, it took two long years. Once or twice a week, winter or summer, for 24 months, Lois would pack a picnic lunch and they would drive from the northern suburbs of Detroit to Toledo where Rod had found a builder to create the yacht.

His ever-faithful wife—you never, ever saw Rod without Lois at his side—kept him company every step of the way and knew almost as much about the boat as her husband. With rare devotion, she would sit in the car by the hour quietly doing needlepoint if he had an appointment. I never heard her complain. Her joy was to be with him, to keep him inspired.

As the boat neared the finishing states, it was moved to an enclosed slip owned by the Hare Khrishna in Detroit so the Davies would be closer at hand for the more delicate inside finishing work.



INNOVATIVE GLOBE shows the sun setting.

Partial to the contemporary look, Lois decorated the boat in an elegant gray, beige, black and wood design. Rod never stopped inventing. He created a dumb waiter that carried dishes and glasses from the main saloon down to the stateroom level.

In addition to the Davies' statetroom amidships—another Rod-invention because he said it would have the least motion there—there were two guest staterooms aft and crew quarters for three in the forward section.

At the very rear of the boat were two huge General Motors diesel engines, and a brilliant system Rod thought up using different colored liquids that accurately rose and fell to tell at a glance how much oil, gasoline, water, or whatever was in the tanks.

The most fascinating thing of all, to us land lubbers at least, was the bridge where there was no wheel. Instead, the boat was steered with a little lever and could be kept on course by a hand-held computer from any place in the boat.

We had many pleasant cruises up the Detroit River in that boat. Road called it Loranda, sort of a combination of Lois, Rod and Davies. It was completely seaworthy, and they also sailed it south to Florida through the inland waterways and briefly across the Atlantic off the New Jersey coast.

The boat finished, Rod turned to building a house at Port Lucie, Fla., which kept them busy quite a while.

I don't know what it is that makes an inventor, a constantly questioning mind, I expect, plus the ability to translate an idea into a working object, and the freedom to let your mind break free of traditional ideas. There aren't many inventors around.

Too many of us stick in our rigid thought modes and never let a fanciful idea escape for pursuit. I am sure Rod has had thousands of ideas which he ran through his mind, maybe even played with on paper or a computer, then discarded. How exciting when one comes to fruition.

Every time I see the black line on the globe cross America now, I think of the mind that thought it up, figured out where to get all the parts produced, and did the first tedious assembly work in his own garage. It's a tool schools should have to help children learn geography. If a corporation like Apple Computer which buys computers for schools through Safeway receipts would do the same with these globes, it might light the way for a lot of children through a fascinating and important subject.

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DISCOVERY – THE LIVELY ARTS

BY BARBARA ROSE SHULER

It was a bright windy afternoon at the Custom House Plaza as audiences gathered each hour for the parade of free live performances. Grovemont Theater produces an ambitious festival of shows each summer that boasts over 70,000 attendees. The Monterey Bay Theaterfest presents eight shows every Saturday and Sunday now through Aug. 3—six hours of lively fare beginning at noon. The entertainment runs the gauntlet from fairy tales to operetta with a traditional Shakespeare classic in the Memory Garden behind the Pacific House. Due to construction underway in the upper plaza, the company could not set up the large tent which in the past has served as a third venue for evening shows.

This year is vintage Theaterfest. John Rousseau directs four fairy tales, favorites all, which begin the six-hour extravaganza. Bring the youngsters at noon. The little ones will enjoy "The Three Little Pigs, "Goldilocks and the Three Bears," "The Fisherman and His Wife," and "Cinderella." The adaptations, also by Rousseau can be described as wacky and contemporary, ably performed by company members. The talented Rousseau also created an inventive, farcical treatment of the story of the man credited with discovering our continent. "It's This Way Columbus" features Jeffrey T. Heyer in the title role engaging in loony capers from Portugal to the New World with a funny, athletic ensemble who enact everything from ravenous sea monsters to outlandish monarchs. Rousseau chimes in from time to time from sidelines where he also masterfully commands the synthesizer keyboard as a one-man music and sound effect center. It's a wild ride through a familiar story—more amusing historical revisionism ala Rousseau.

The ever-popular Human Chess Game is played at 2p.m.—this year a battle of the sexes.

The capers continue in a more traditional style at 3 p.m. with "Pick-Pocket Opera," a breezy tour of Gilbert and Sullivan favorites with Kevin Hanstick and Eleanor Wylde. Under the musical direction of Barney Hulse this interlude of operetta is appropriately light, charming and tuneful. Hanstick and Wylde's broad and improvisation style works well in the open air. When pigeons land center stage mid-aria, Hanstick sings to them as if they are the fair maids of his dreams. Hulse like Rousseau provides keyboard talent and repartee with the zany duo.

"The Tempest" is an ideal play to stage in the lovely Memory Garden. The space easily becomes Prospero's deserted island with its strange, wondrous inhabitants. Directed by Mickie Mosley, this production offers some fine performances but wobbles a bit in interpretation.

The choice to set the play in 1492 by turning Prospero into a Columbus figure in the "brave new world" doesn't really work, at least for me. An interesting idea, the result is a context that seems contrived and irrelevant. About all it does is provide fresh possibilities for the costumer. Lady Hull's costume design is marvelous but, in fact, does not plant us firmly on native American soil. The spirit world of Ariel and her minions, rather than American Indian, looks more like a plush new age fantasy.

Caliban is supposed to represent the tormented native abused by white man in Mosley's version. Well, as the deformed, angry offspring of an evil witch Caliban does not easily fit the picture of the noble savage, nor is Prospero a prototypically abusive European. Furthermore, actor John Farmanesh does not convey the deformity of the "monster" Caliban. Try as he might, in his scant costume, Farmanesh looks like the beautifully formed youth that he is. So, the setting is a bit muddled. Fortunately, if you just forget the program notes and watch the play, all that gives way to an enjoyable production of "The Tempest."

Jeffrey T. Heyer makes a splendid Prospero, commanding, mysterious and tormented by betrayal. I enjoyed the capricious winds Sunday as they responded, as if on cue, to Heyer's magical invocation in a final scene. Very impressive to "call forth the mutinous winds" in iambic pentameter and have nature provide immediate results. Maryann Schaupp was simply delightful as Ariel, the airy island spirit. The bond she and Heyer created between the spirit and the magus was an especially tender one. Melissa Okey as Miranda was satisfactory but rather low power.

The drunken antics of Ron Cohen and Kevin Nolan Caston as Sebastian and Trinculo pleased the audience. Farmanesh's performance was impressive—wild and intense—except that he just didn't seem like a Caliban. James Brady as Ferdinand, the young prince in love with Miranda, looked noble and portrayed an appropriately smitten suitor. Vincente J. Salazar appeared as King Alonzo who was given the chance to right a wrong when Prospero's tempest blew him ashore with his attendants. Chip Clark as Alonzo's brother and Victoria Ledesma as Prospero's usurping sister hatch sinister deeds. Ellis Albee plays the loyal Gonzalo, counselor to Alonzo.

Original music by Mary Lee Sunseri added a provocative otherworldly flavor to the show but again didn't establish more than a hint of the new world setting. Schaupp's choreography created the impression that the island spirits constantly surrounded the audience as they moved sinuously around the trees, fountain, and perimeter of the garden.

By the way, David Mamet's "Life in the Theater" opens next week at the Grovemont Hoffman street theater. John Farmanesh directs this play featuring two fine local performers, Mark Shilstone-Laurent and Kevin Nolan Caston. Should be a good one.

I saw the Western Stage production of "Damn Yankees," the 1956 musical hit about baseball and a pact with a modern Mephistopheles, over the Fourth of July weekend. I recommend it for you musical buffs.

International storyteller Ashley Ramsden was in town again last week. He and popular local poet Ric Masten teamed up for an evening called "Ric and Rumi" with Ramsden representing the 13th century Persian poet Rumi. I was indeed curious how the event would evolve with this unlikely combination of Masten's earthy contemporary poetry and the lofty works of Rumi. It turned out to be a lively, witty and wise exchange—an odd match to be sure, but it worked!

The Bach Festival began July 13. I plan to write about the entire program during the coming weeks.

CARMEL MYSTERY WRITER Robert Campbell's first play is running at All Saints Church, Lincoln and Ninth in Carmel. Called "The Glendorian Reality," it stars Alan Smith, Lynette Graves, Guy Hall and LaVonne Rae Andrews, left to right. Performances are scheduled this weekend and next. Call 655-3200 for ticket information. Campbell won the Edgar Allan Poe award for best mystery of the year, "The Junkyard Dog."

NEW BABIES

Jamie Mae, daughter, born to **Leslie Turner and Jimmie LaFitte,** Carmel Valley, 6/19.

Joshua Stuart, son, born to **Cindy and Steve Prieto,** Cachagua, 6/23.

Byron Trevor Nathanael, son, born to **Siobhan and Joseph Greene,** Carmel Valley, 7/2.

Benjamin Nachmani, son, born to **Debora and Michael Waxer,** Carmel, 7/5.

MONTEREY SAX, an ensemble of four local saxophonists, will peform Sunday at 2 p.m. in the free Sunday afternoon concert series at Forest Theater. Members are from left to right, Bill Cordes, Paul Baker, Robert Young and Don Irving. New to the annual series, the group will present a diverse program with music from such composers as J.S. Bach, Scott Joplin, Lennie Niehaus and Stan Kenton.

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New Conductor Weil Greeted Warmly at 55th Bach Festival

By Barbara Rose Schuler

Conductor Bruno Weil opened the 55th season of the Carmel Bach Festival Monday night at Sunset Center, receiving a warm reception as he assumed leadership of the widely acclaimed event from Maestro Sandor Salgo who guided it for 36 years.

Even before the opening night performance, Festival music makers, gathering in Carmel Valley Saturday for a Bach's Lunch party, were abuzz with appreciation for the new maestro. Musicians, staff and volunteers alike praised Weil, particularly noting the rapport he had established right away with the orchestra, chorus and soloists.

On opening night, a full and appreciative house welcomed the 43-year-old German-born conductor who will oversee near nonstop performances during the three-week festival.

Weil was named to succeed Salgo in October. Under Salgo, the event expanded from a small local celebration to its current status as one of the country's respected music festivals able to draw gifted musicians from around the world.

Weil brings a strong European reputation to the festival. He has performed with leading symphonies in the United States, Great Britain, Japan and Canada. A swiftly rising star on the classical music scene, Weil is known in the United States mainly through his many recordings. His most recent engagement was with the prestigious Glyndebourne Opera Festival in Glynedebourne, England, where he premiered as conductor of Mozart's "Cosi fan tutte" with The Orchestra of the Age of Enlightenment.

Expressing respect for what the festival has achieved in the past, Weil's choices for the 1992 program honors many traditions, yet gently nudges the festival into fresh territory.

"Tradition and progress seem to be contrasts," said Weil in a note to festival patrons. "Each of them regarded individually seems to do justice only to one aspect of life. Combined, they become a vital source not only of art but of all development."

He has created an initial season that began with an opening performance of a Bach Cantata and its orchestral reflection in the composer's "Orchestral Suite No.4." This presentation of two or more treatments of the same musical theme is a familiar one to Bach Festival audiences.

Weil extended this comparative mode to the 20th century by including a complex orchestration by Stravinsky of J. S. Bach's "Chorale Variations on `Von Himmel hoch..." in Monday's opening concert. The program concluded with Handel's well known "Water Music Suite No. 2"

He will introduce lesser known gems such as Haydn's "Creation Oratorio," Handel's opera "Acis and Galatea," and the music of Bach's son' whom he views as vital forces in the development of classical music.

A departure from custom will be the Basilica Concert. It will be conducted by the new chorale director, Bruce Lamott. Lamott, who has served the festival for many years as principal harpsichordist, moves into an additional role as education director this year.

BRUNO WEIL

Under his guidance the lecture series will change focus from specific emphasis on the music being presented to discussions of the "life and times" surrounding the composers and their music. This focus will be presented through a series of pre-concert talks called "Face the Music," which take place shortly before the Sunset Center evening performances.

Each week of the Festival will conclude with Weil conducting a customary major work by J. S. Bach on Sunday at Sunset Center—this year "The Passion According to St. John."

The festival this year also presents a diverse program of community outreach events that include audiences in Seaside and Salinas. The Schwabacher Lieder Series will continue on Wednesdays in the Casa Serrano Adobe in Monterey.

Lamott summed up the feelings of many associated with the festival when he opened the first Sandor Salgo lecture Monday: "This will be the most exciting first week in anybody's memory—certainly mine!"

GOP Women Hold Ranch Fundraiser

Elephant Faire, a Carmel Republican Women's fundraiser, will be held July 25 at Mission Ranch Barn, co-chairs Jane Roland and Rickie Titherington announced.

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TROWEL & HOE

BY MARK EATON

Some of the finest California native shrubby perennials for the Monterey Peninsula are the wild buckwheats, members of the genus *Eriogonum*. Many are at home on rocky hillsides or sandy soils from seashore to the high mountains and in the deserts. Some thrive in hot summers, others can tolerate freezing winters. Buckwheats vary from annuals to shrubby perennials, there is no clear distinction between perennial and true shrubberies. We will discuss only perennial types here.

Buckwheats are foremost among California's drought tolerant plants and are useful in many sections of the garden. Their generally flat-topped clusters of flowers begin around June and some types continue flowering into autumn, and the plants are fairly long-lived. The low types are excellent in the rock garden or in front of the dry border. The taller types are attractive in groups of severe, or nice looking in a mixed planting of low water use shrubs.

The attractive flower heads are valuable for their long keeping qualities—as a dried cut flower or everlasting, on the plant they frequently dry to a pretty brown, bronze, or red. Fresh flower color ranges from white through shades of pink and rose to red, with others in the cream range or brilliant yellow fading to red-orange.

All should receive sun most of the day with a well-drained soil that is lean in nutrients, like so many California native plants prefer. They should be watered at least once a week through the first summer, thereafter an occasional morning soaking in warm weather will suffice.

Though not particularly common in nurseries, they are far from rare; here are several varieties that can be found on a fairly regular basis.

E. crocatum (Conejo Buckwheat) Flat heads of sulphur yellow appear spring to mid-July. Good in the border or garden to about 12 inches in height. Native to Ventura County.

E. grande rubescens (Red Buckwheat) Rounded heads of red to crimson-rose in summer to fall. A larger shrubby type, varies from 3-6 feet in height. Leaves green above, woolly beneath. Native to bluffs in the Channel Islands.

E. fasciculatum (Flat-top Buckwheat) Unlike most buckwheats, the stems are covered with narrow, needle-like leaves. The plant can reach 1-2 ft. in height. Flowers on short stalks in broad, flat-topped clusters of white to pale pink. A bee favorite, excellent in front of drought resistant shrubs.

E. giganteum (St. Catherine's Lace) The giant of the genus, a woody shrub from Catalina Island that can reach 8-10 ft. in height. The thick leaves re pale green above, felted beneath. The large forked flower heads support tiny oyster-white flowers, lacy. May-August. Very nice behind other drought tolerant plants, and flowers last long.

E. latifolium (Coast Buckwheat) A low mounding species native to the coastal dunes and bluffs. In summer, 6-9 inch spikes bear pompoms of off-white, some forms from Humboldt County bear flowers of rose pink. Valuable in the rock garden and coastal garden.

E. umbellatum (Sulphur Buckwheat) A variable species ranging from 1-3 ft. in height. Leaves are green above and wooly beneath, with 6-9 inch flowering stalks with rounded to flat clusters of sulphur-yellow flowers, very striking choice for rock garden and dry borders.

WILD BUCKWHEAT

Buckwheats are propagated by cuttings (some) and seeds. The listed varieties are available in one gallon and in the case of the tall-growing types, five gallon cans.

Most types are not flowering plants that jump up and grab the focus of the passerby like a spectacular rose or clemantis in bloom, but rather command a subtle sense of appreciation. Like most things that have real value but are an acquired taste, once acquired you will enjoy them for a very long time. The genus *Eriogonum* is a leading component in the 1990's popularity of gardening with California native plants.

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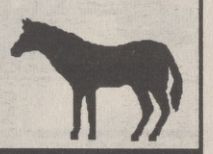

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(s)Dau Van Le

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Filed June 8, 1992
File No. F920961

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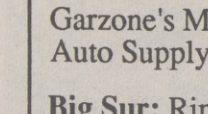

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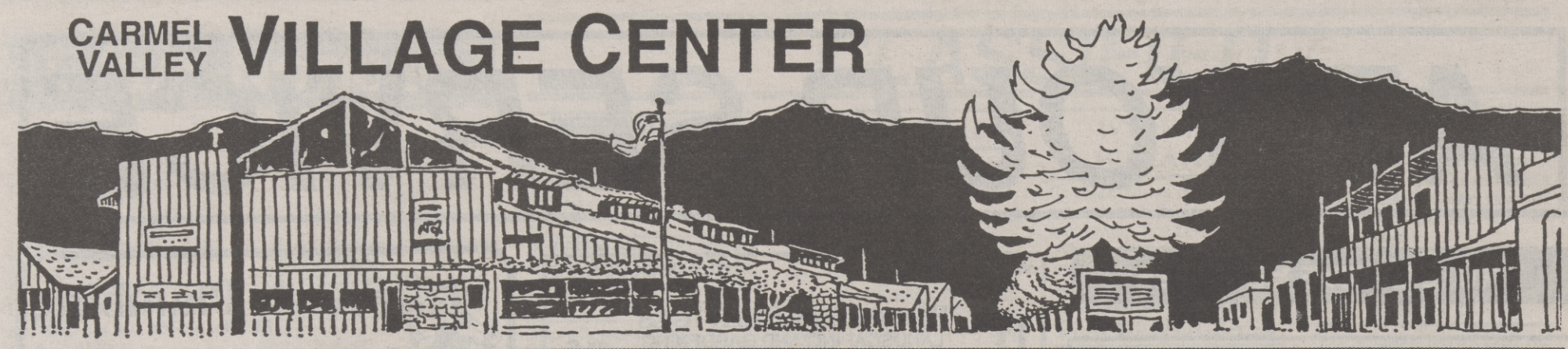

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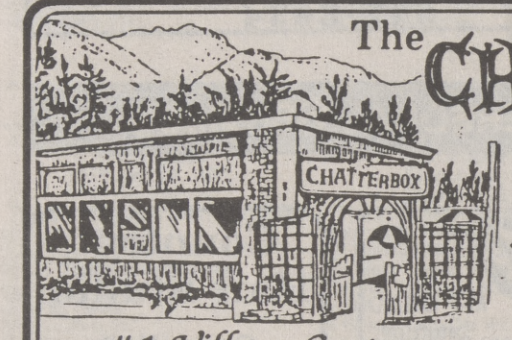

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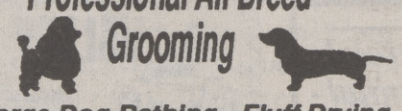

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